











※ MENTAL PLAYBACK



# KIZU NATSUKI

HUH.....

The boy's mind is in utter chaos at the sudden revelation that their feelings are mutual, which hit him like a typhoon. Please enjoy the story of the boys whom we missed for a while.

g i v e n  
code.14





Uenoyama Ritsuka, who stood unmoving and at a glance looked as calm as a still lake surface,

was actually suffering a very noisy internal meltdown.

Uenoyama kun?



FROZEN

...UENOYAMA KUN?

UENOYAMA KUN.....?

Daze



Emergency!

Oii!

WHO

UENOYAMA CONFERENCE ROOM RITSUKA

FAREWELL party

EMERGENCY!

EMERGENCY!

I know I'm going to go ahead and graduate from something.

MY WORRIED SELF

MY DEVIL SELF

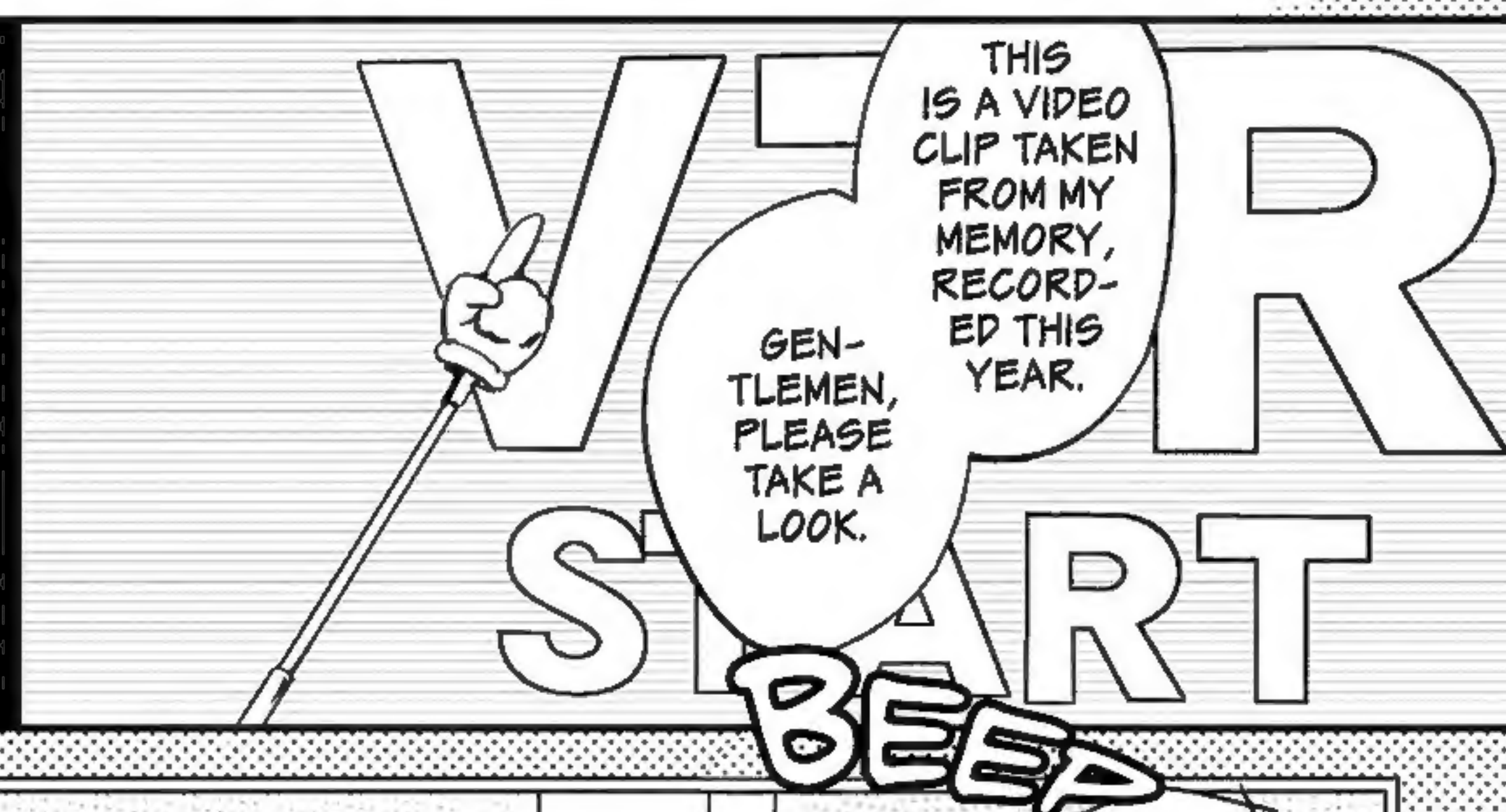
MY VIRGIN SELF

congratulations on graduating

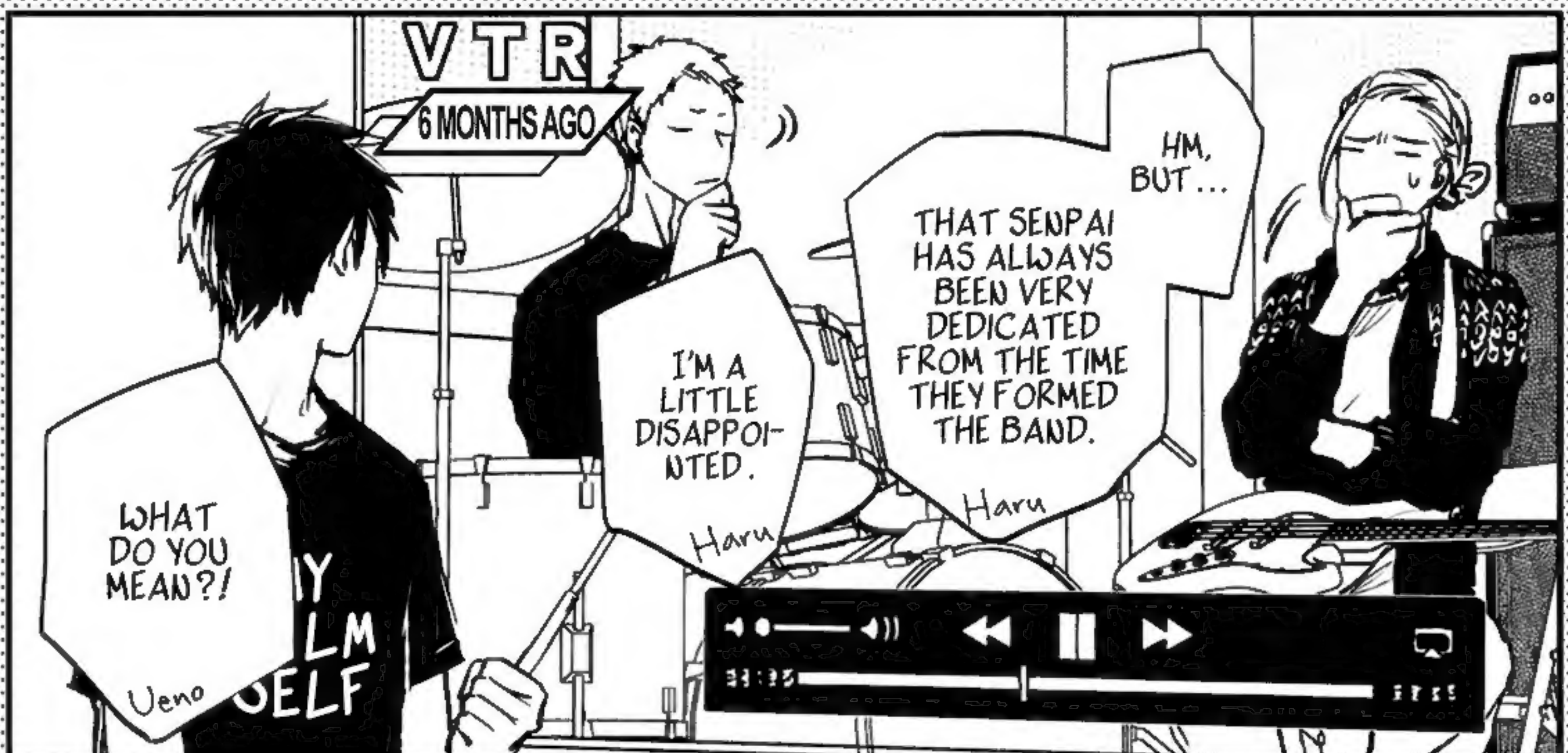
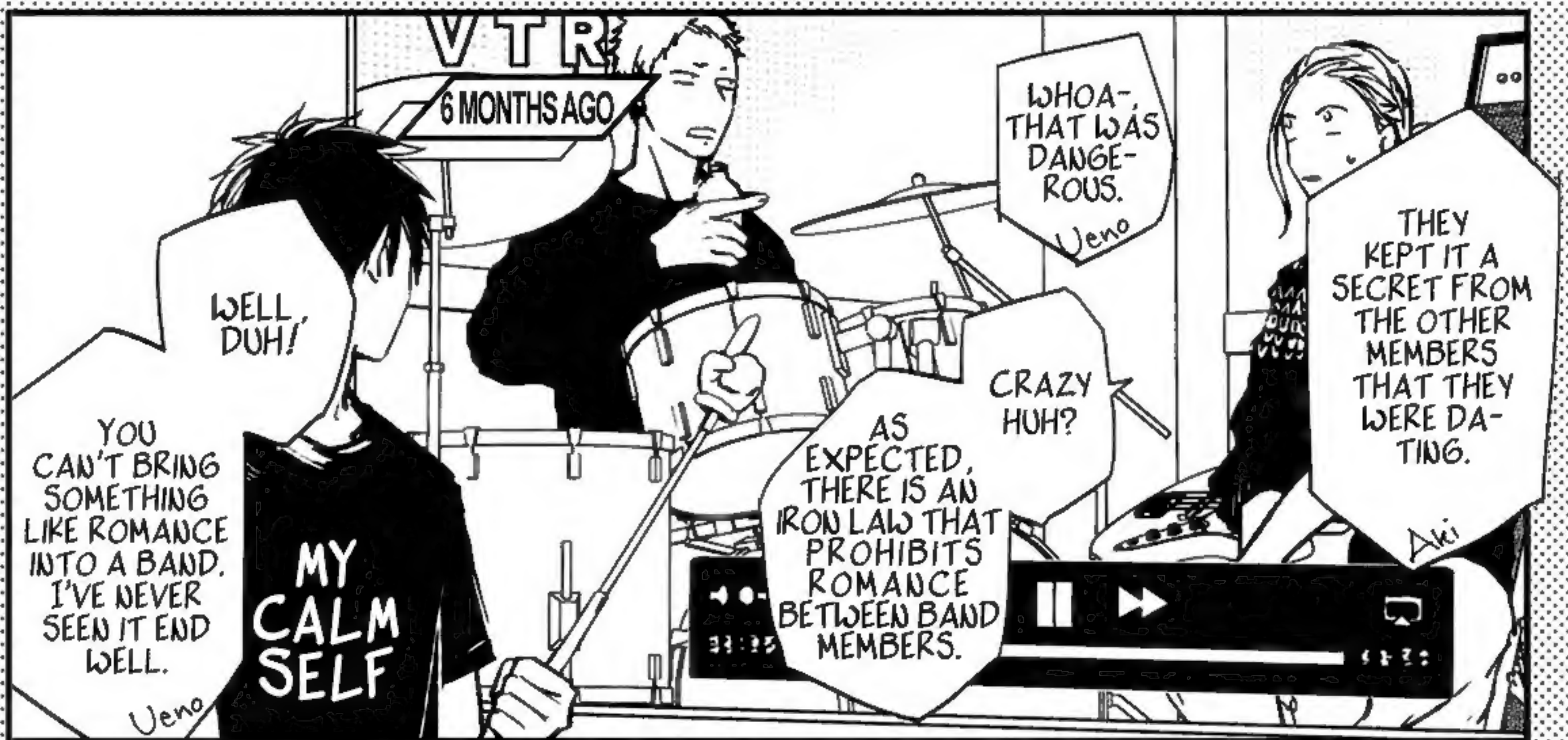
MY DEEPLY MOVED EMOTIONAL SELF

ELL





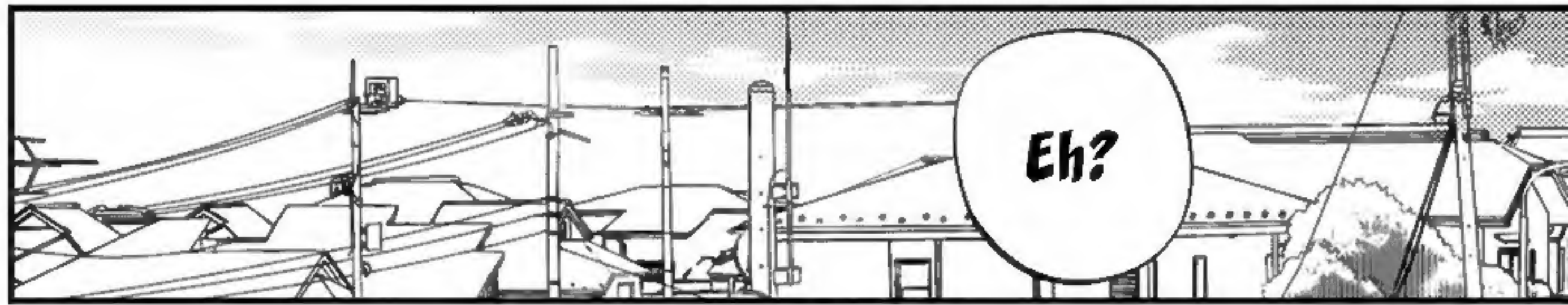












Eh?



☆ T/N: Cicada sounds. More info at back. All text with ☆ next to it refer to cicada sounds from now on.



HELLO!

— WHY ARE YOU HERE...?

QUIT YELLING SO EARLY IN THE MORNING!



# ギヴン







**ABSOLUTELY NOT.**

**NO.**



**OKAY, THIS IS ALREADY HEADING IN THE WRONG DIRECTION!!!!**

NO, I ONLY JUST CON-FESSED.

YOU AREN'T DATING ALREADY, RIGHT?!

YOU GUYS ARE DATING?!

WAIT, WHY?

HUH.



**THAT ASSHOLE, HE MADE A MORE DANGEROUS GAMBLE THAN I HAD IMAGINED—**

Hit the nail on the head before the live.

HE HAD NOTICED.

YEAH, PROBABLY.

I've consulted with him once.

HOLD ON, DOES AKIHIKO KNOW?!

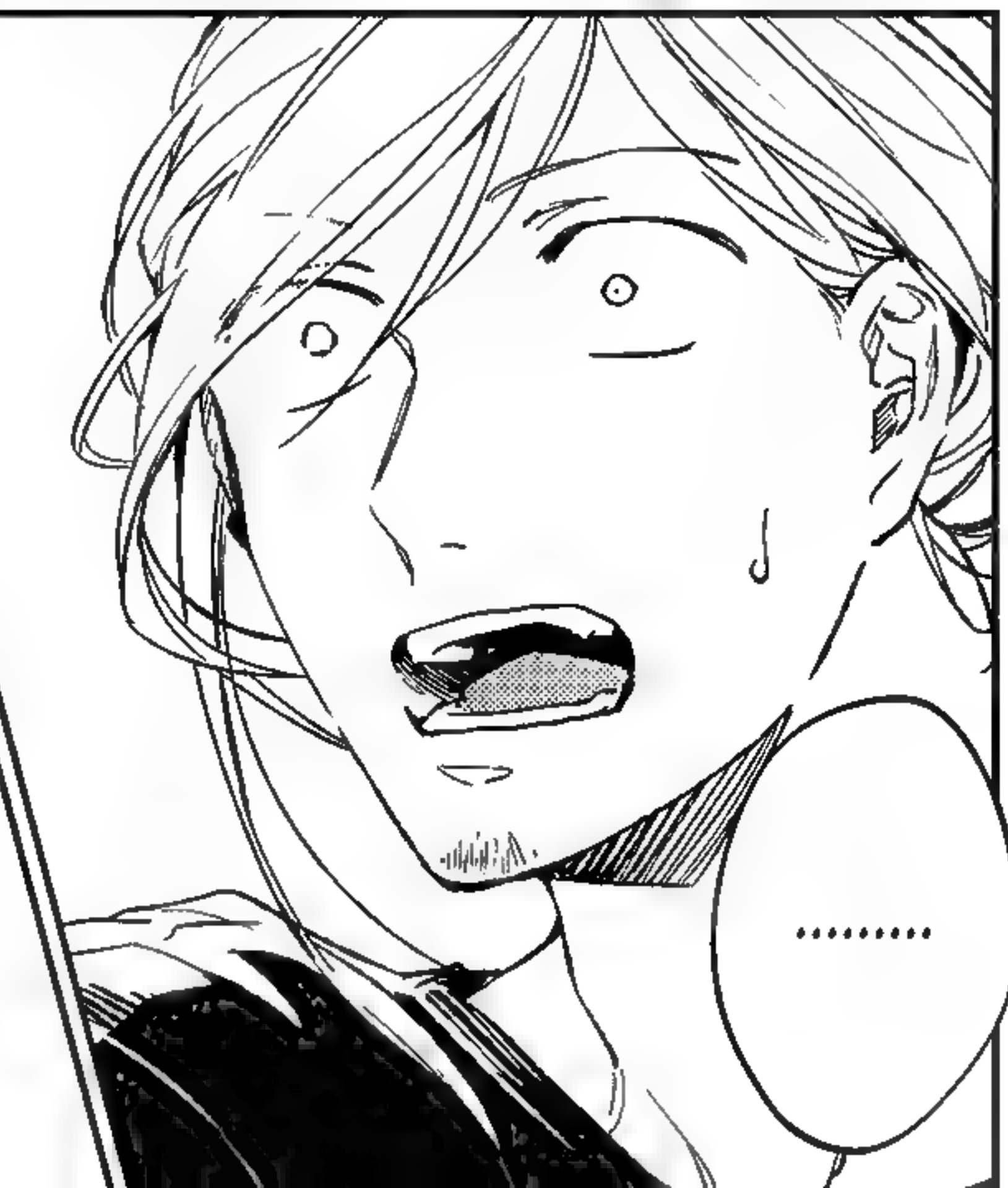
※ CH 8

※ CH 7

I'll do something



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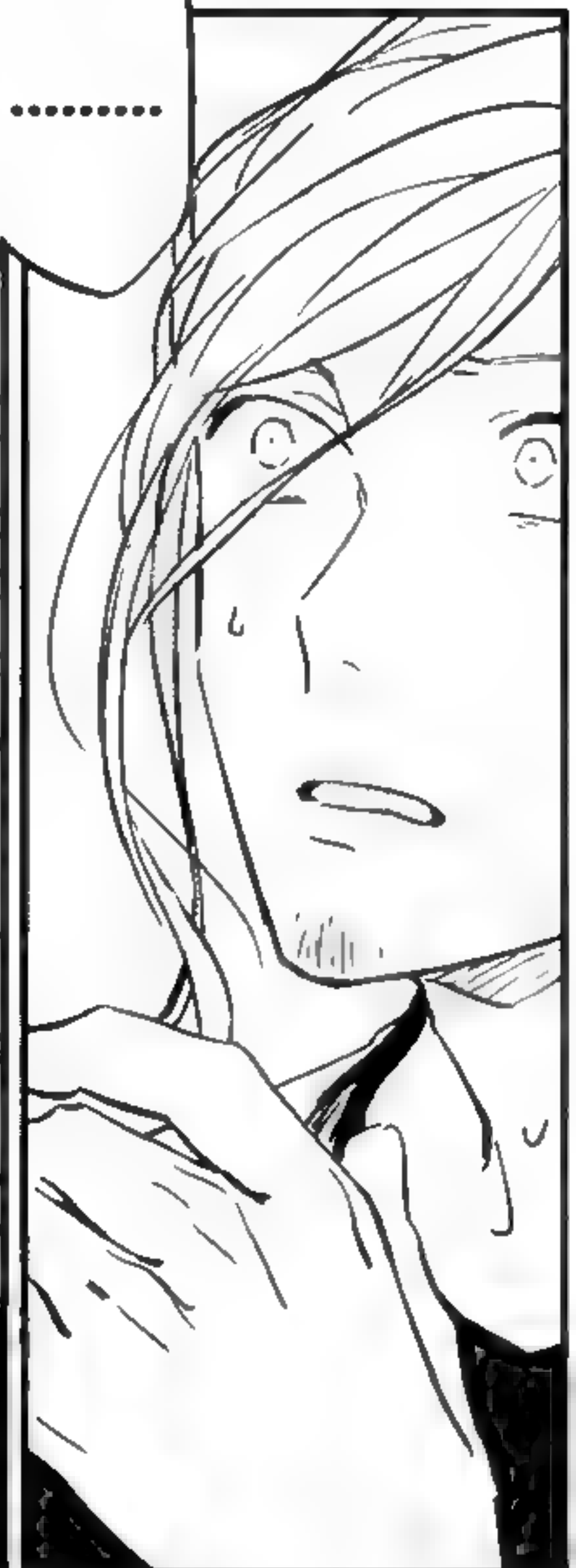
DO  
NOT GET  
CAUGHT.



....!



.....



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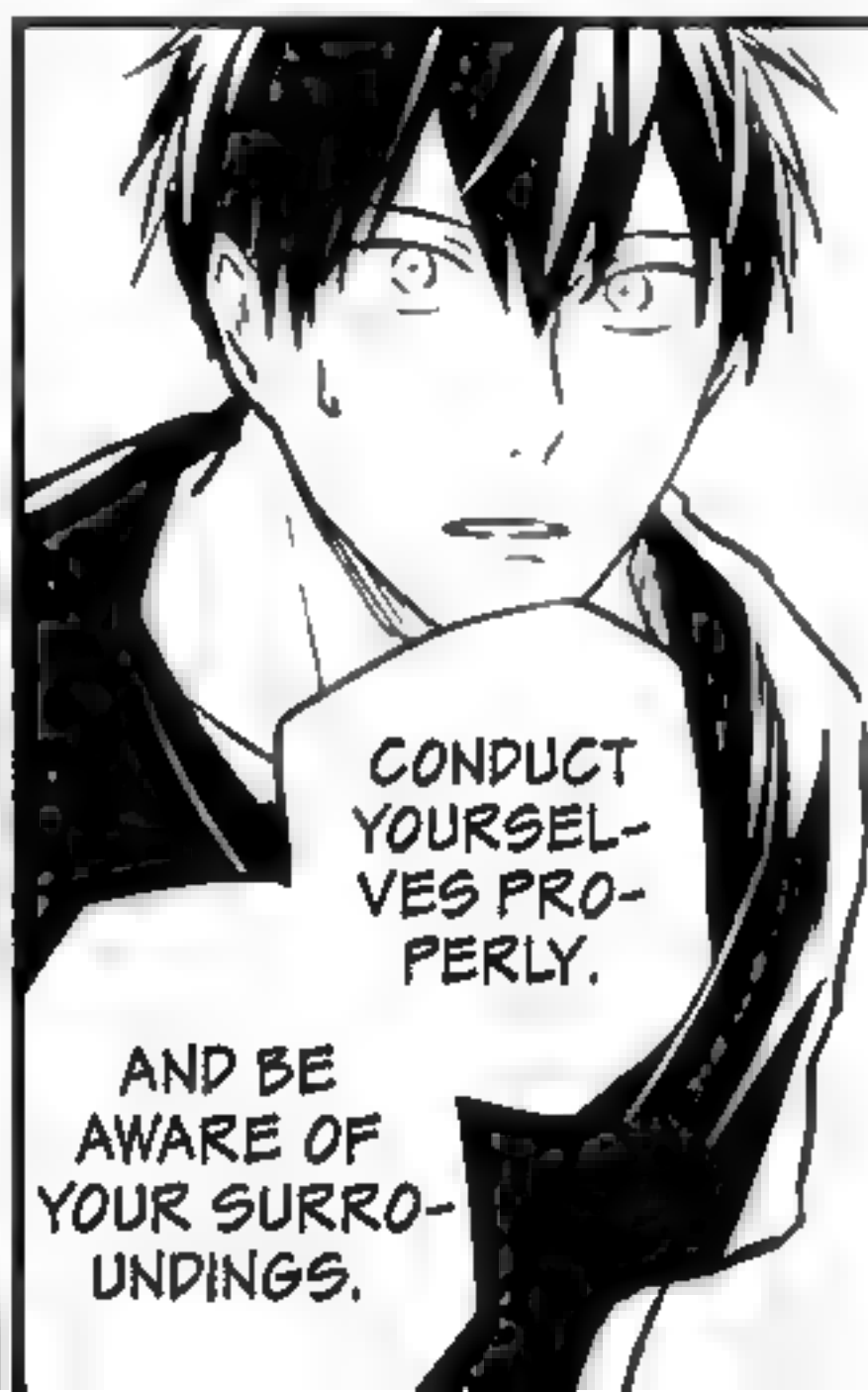


Listen  
up you  
two!



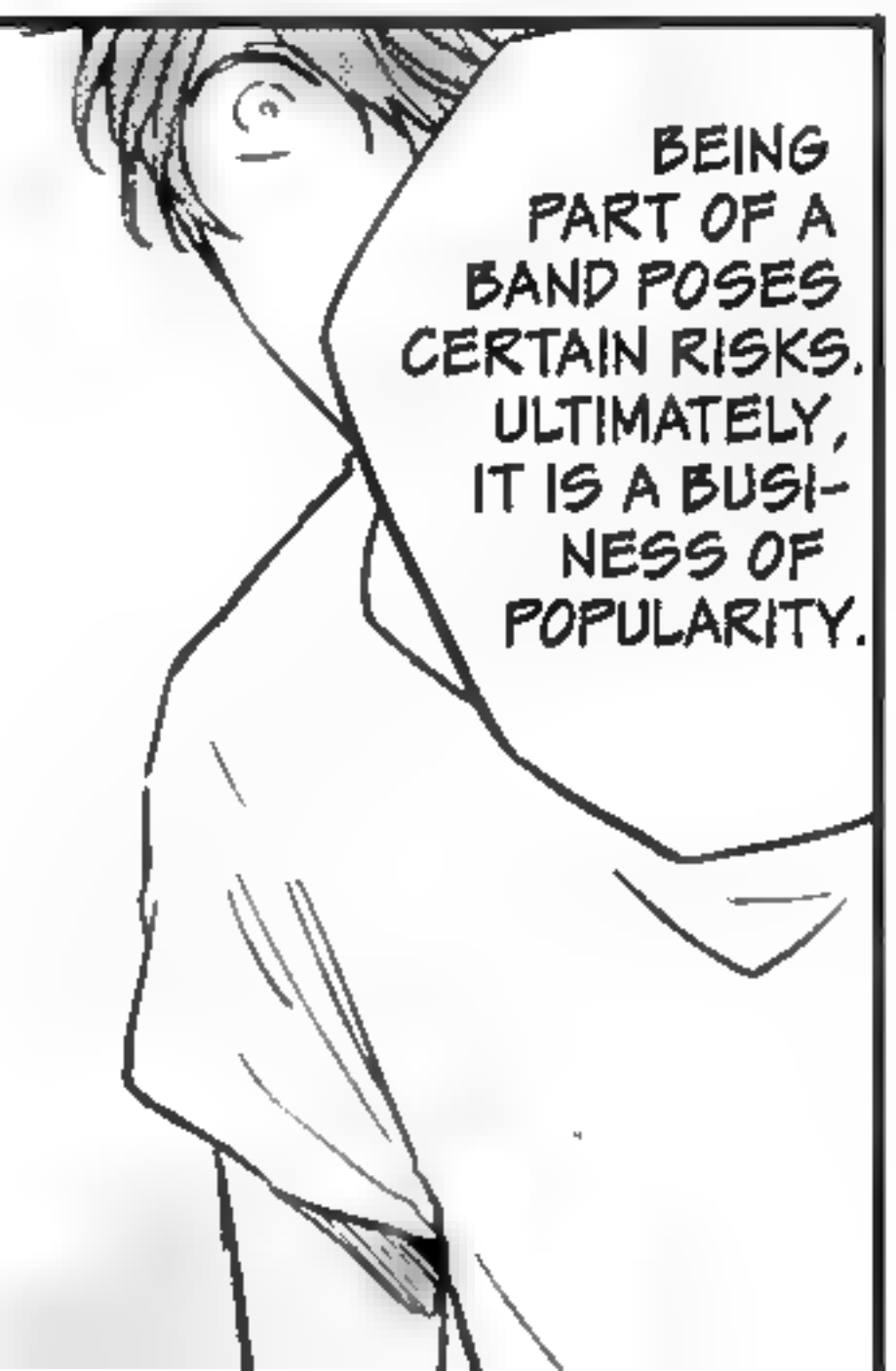
ALSO,  
I WON'T HOLD  
BACK IF YOU  
BECOME  
ANNOYING.

I'LL  
LEAVE  
IT TO  
YOU.



CONDUCT  
YOURSEL-  
VES PRO-  
PERLY.

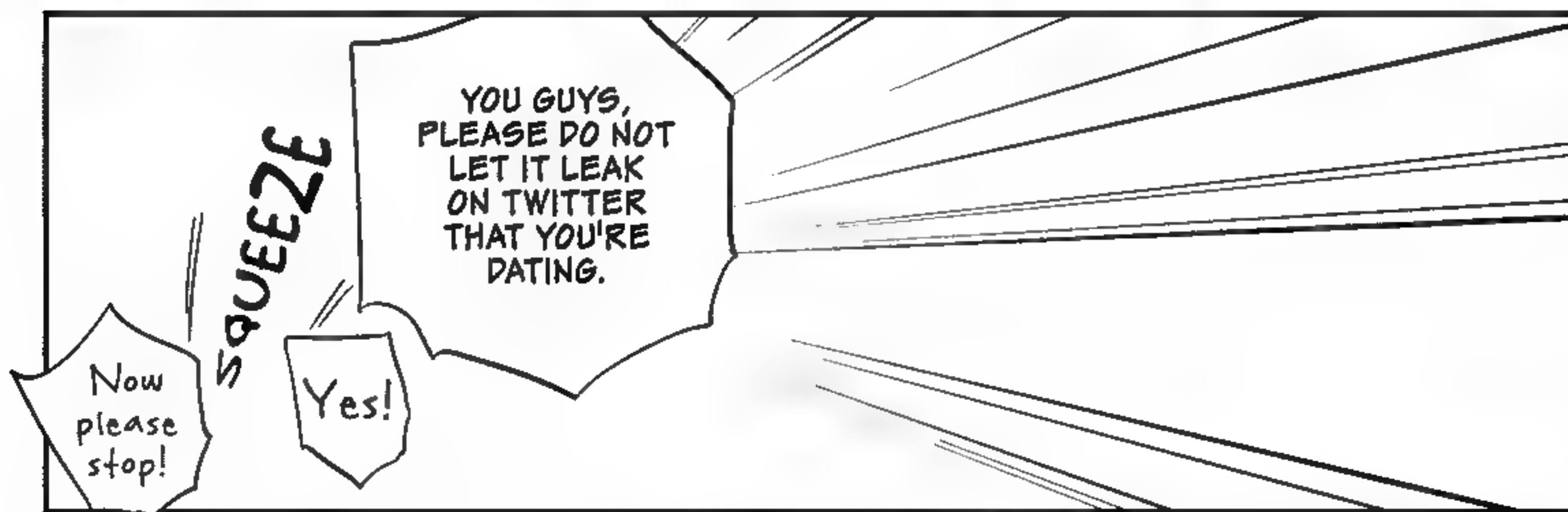
AND BE  
AWARE OF  
YOUR SURRO-  
UNDINGS.



BEING  
PART OF A  
BAND POSES  
CERTAIN RISKS.  
ULTIMATELY,  
IT IS A BUSI-  
NESS OF  
POPULARITY.



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IT WAS  
EXTREMELY  
TROUBLE-  
SOME,  
BUT WE  
WERE ABLE  
TO CROSS  
IT ONCE.

I KNEW  
IT AND STILL  
MADE YOU  
WALK THE  
TIGHTROPE  
FOR THE  
LIVE.



HAHA...

RIGHT,  
MAFUYU.

AH,



KAJI SAN,  
IS IT  
ALRIGHT?

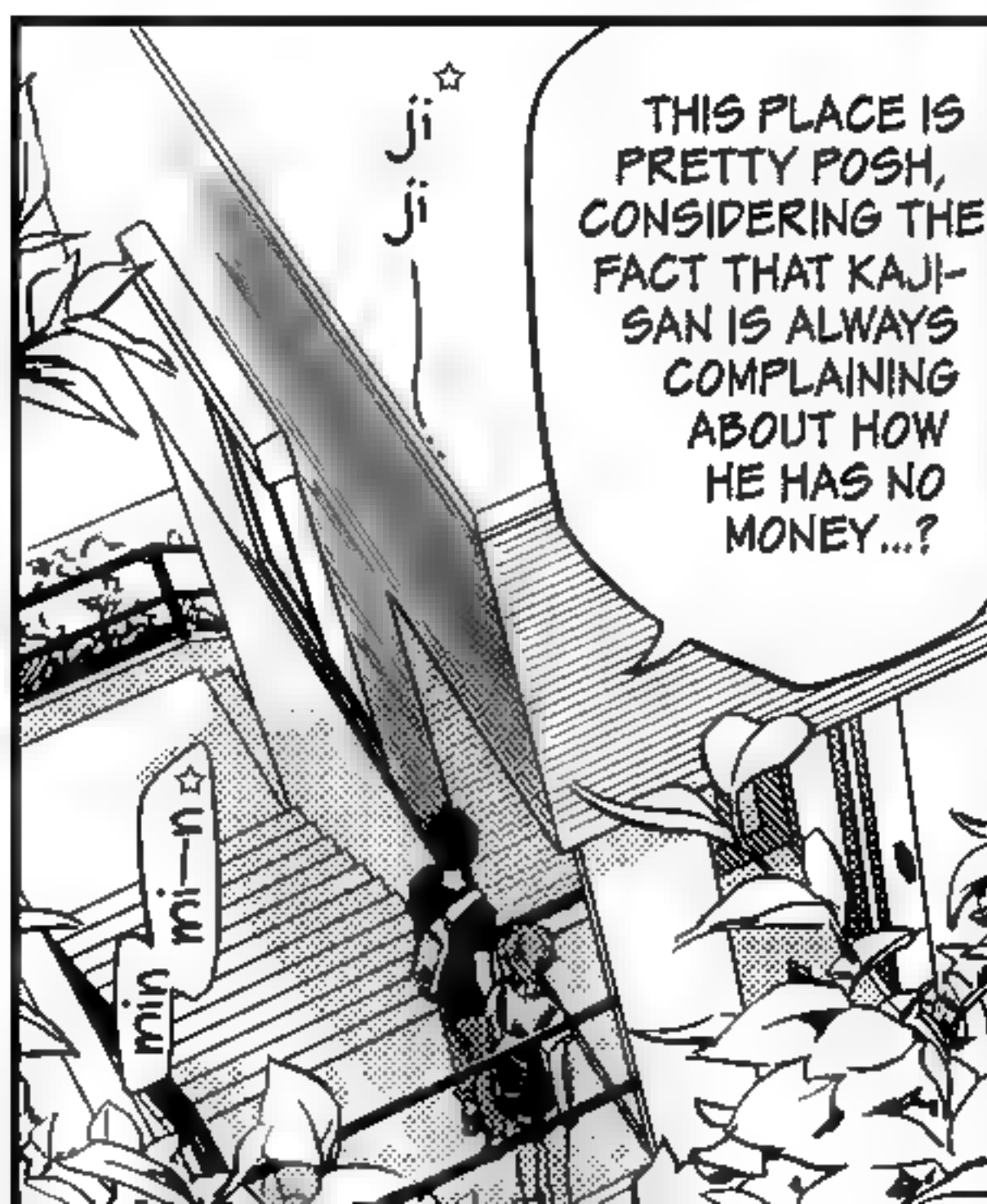
CONGRATS  
...?

YOU'RE  
TAKING A  
CALCULAT-  
ED RISK,  
BE- SO I'VE GOT  
SIDES, NO COMP-  
LAINTS...  
HARUKI  
ALREADY  
POINTED OUT  
ALL THE  
ISSUES,  
RIGHT?



AH,  
OKAY.

THE CDS WE  
SPOKE ABOUT  
THE OTHER DAY  
ARE PRETTY GOOD,  
I'LL GIVE THEM  
TO YOU NOW.  
Wait a sec,  
lemme go  
grab 'em.



THIS PLACE IS  
PRETTY POSH,  
CONSIDERING THE  
FACT THAT KAJI-  
SAN IS ALWAYS  
COMPLAINING  
ABOUT HOW  
HE HAS NO  
MONEY...?

ji☆  
ji



—HOW-  
EVER...



SLAM

mi☆n

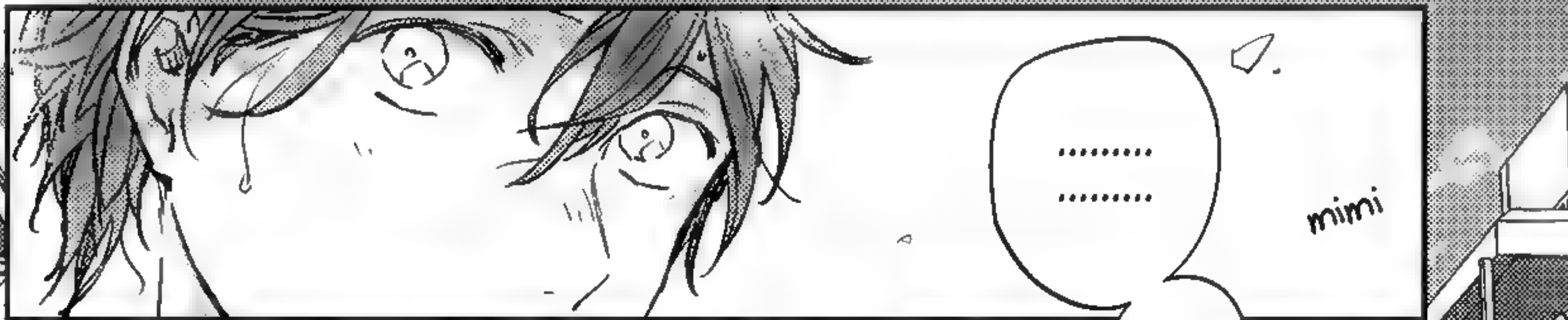
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# ギヴン







SHOULD  
I CHEER  
YOU ON?

what's  
that?

Like,  
at the  
sports  
festival.

THANK YOU.

YEAH.

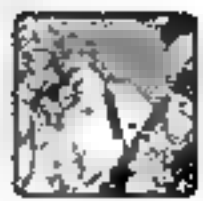
...OKAY.

mimi

...I'LL  
CARRY  
IT.

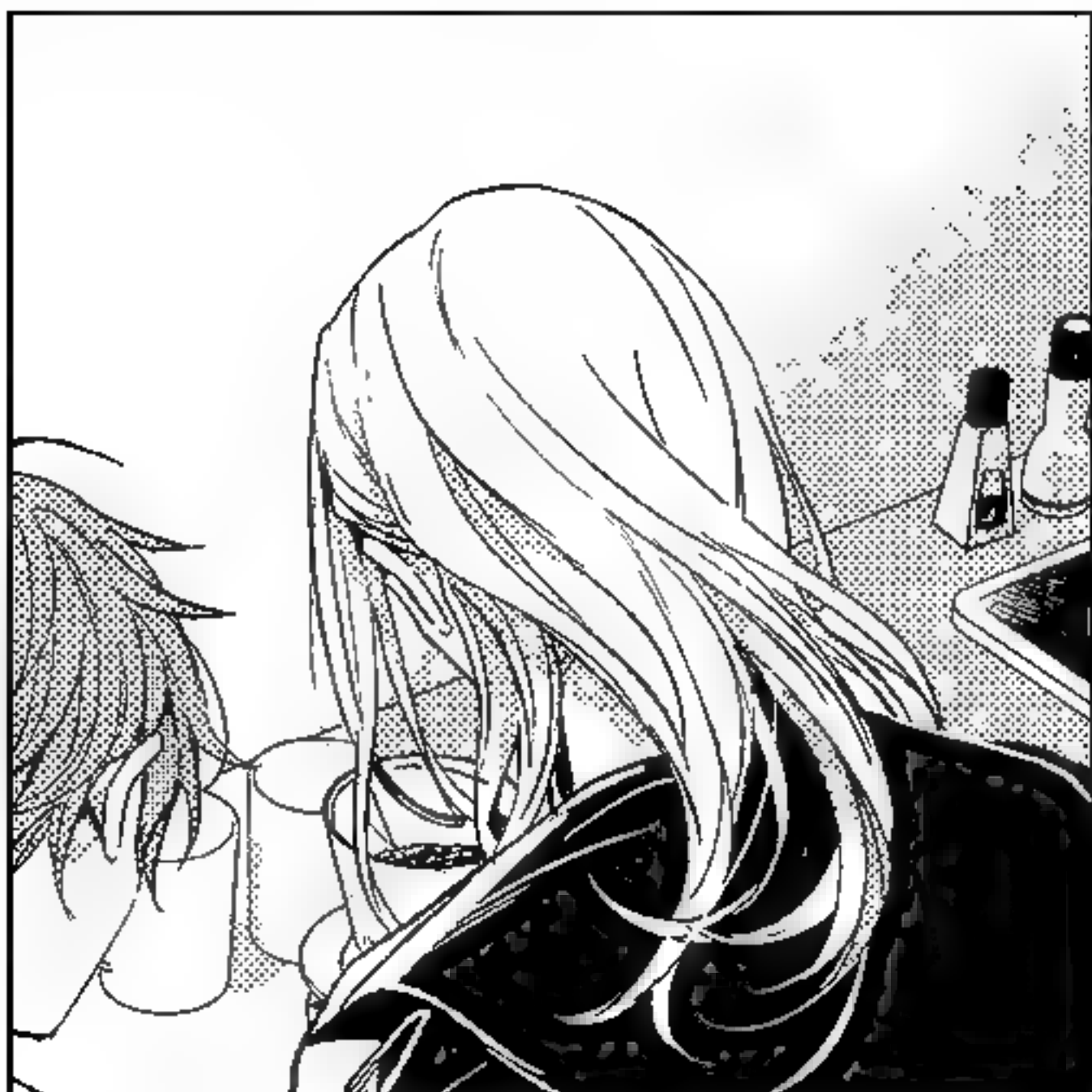
—IT'S  
OKAY.





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@given\_ssn

A picture of our bassist Haruki-san who  
has been steadily growing out his hair.





# NOTES



## ☆ What's up with cicadas and Japan?

Cicadas are insects omnipresent in Japanese literature and are associated with "the sound of summer". But, with over 3,000 varieties of cicadas found all around the world, why does it seem like all of them live in Japan?

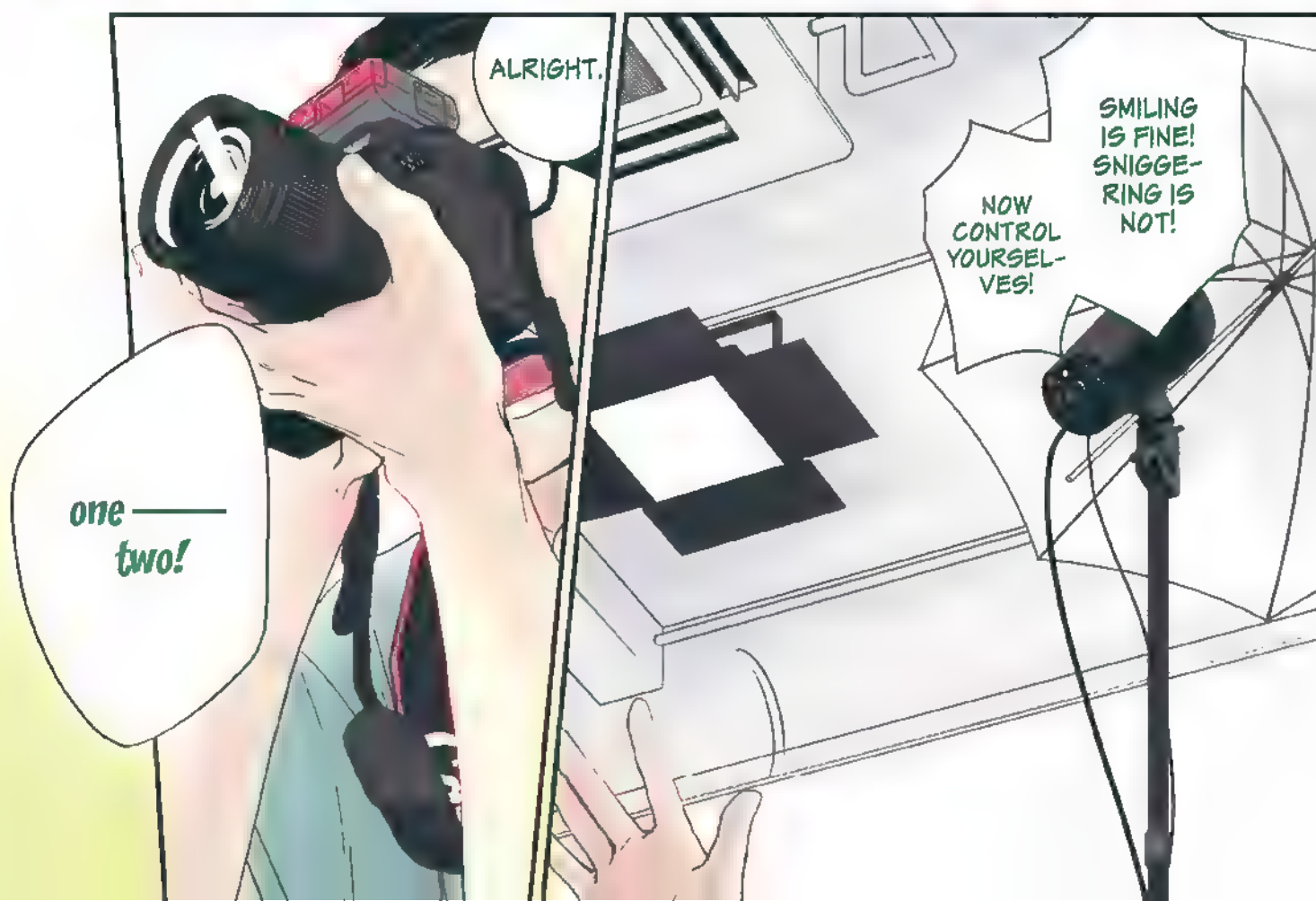
Cicadas spend most of their life-cycles under ground and come out to mate—this varies between species anywhere from 2-17 years. But most Japanese species come out between July-September—the reason why they're so ubiquitous during this time. Once they're out, adult cicadas only live for a few weeks, forcing them to focus on adult pursuits – like cicada love-making. And what is the male cicada's preferred method of booty-call? You guessed it... SINGING(or deafening cries for attention).

Japanese onomatopoeia includes over 14 words meant to phonetically imitate the cry of cicadas, including: minmin, gingin, jiyajiya and many more. The most common one—"minmin" is made by the "Minmin-zemi" and the one in this chapter—"jiji" is made by the "Abura-zemi". "Abura" means "oil" and the sound mimics boiling oil, which is how they get their name.

Imagine a significant portion of the human population crying loudly as a form of mating call—ALL at the same time. (—△—;)

-SAM







# KIZU NATSUKI

given  
code.15

キズナツキがみずみずしく描く  
オルタナティブ・ラブ、巻頭カラーで登場！

bitter love.

the end

happy

trouble some;

Holding on to life

we decided to run forward

## NEWS2 『ギヴン』ドラマCD第二弾発売決定！

通常盤と、ボーカルCD付の2枚組限定盤の2種類が発売されますよ～！

### CAST

佐藤真冬役：齊藤壮馬、上ノ山立夏役：古川 慎、中山春樹役：内匠靖明、梶 秋彦役：日野 聡  
吉田由紀役：中島ヨシキ、村田雨月役：田丸篤志、鹿島 柊役：増田俊樹、  
上ノ山弥生役：矢作紗友里、板谷役：榎木淳弥、植木役：八代 拓 ほか



ギヴン—given—2  
予価：3,000円＋税  
ディスク枚数：1枚



ギヴン—given—2 Live edition  
予価：3,500円＋税  
ディスク枚数：2枚（ドラマCD＋ボーカルCD）  
※ドラマCDは通常盤と共通

限定盤はドラマCDと、真冬が  
歌う劇中歌フルバージョンを収  
録したボーカルCDの2枚組！

内容は  
コミックス第2巻  
……ということは、  
真冬の歌が！

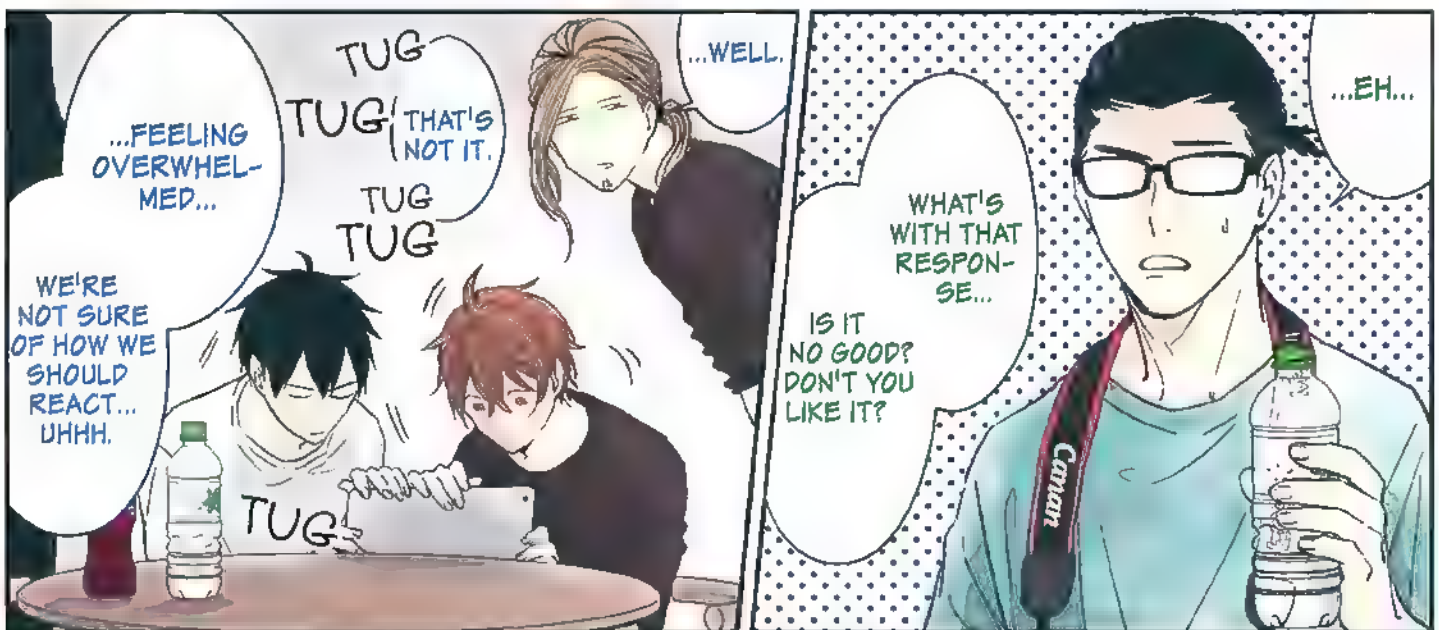
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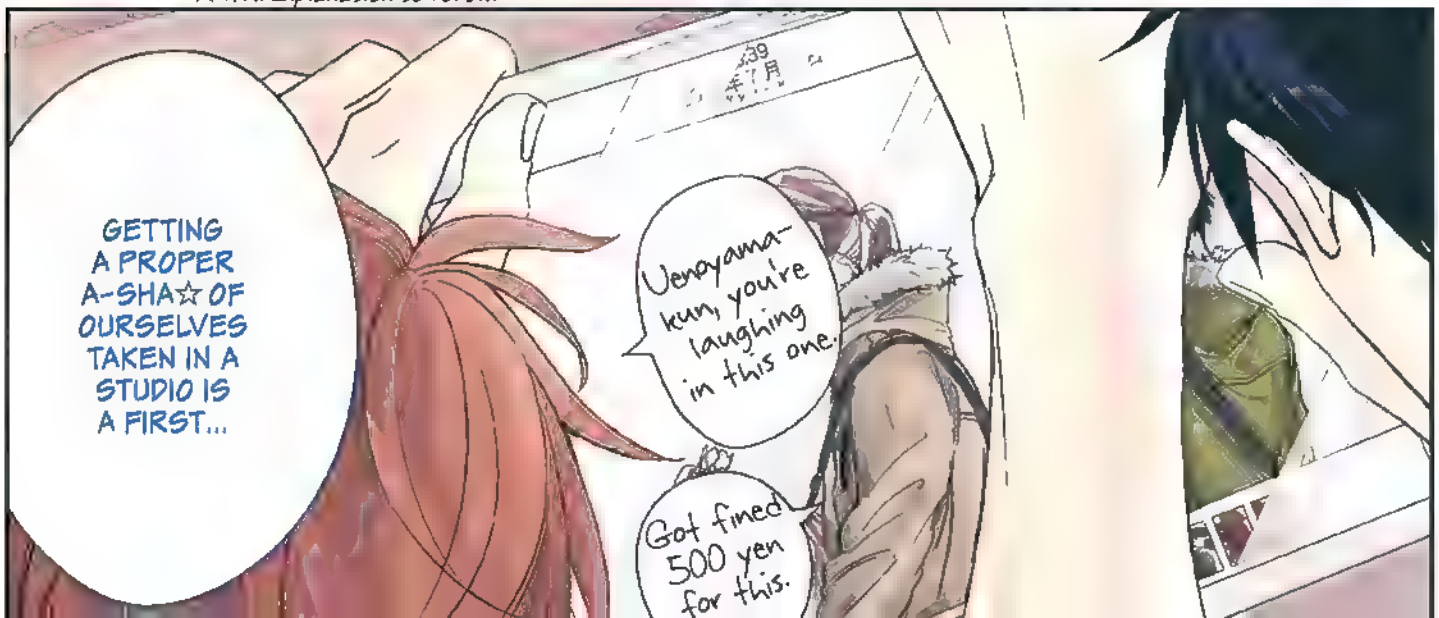
## NEWS1 『ギヴン』グッズ発売決定!!

くわしくはP4のグッズインフォメーションをみてね♡



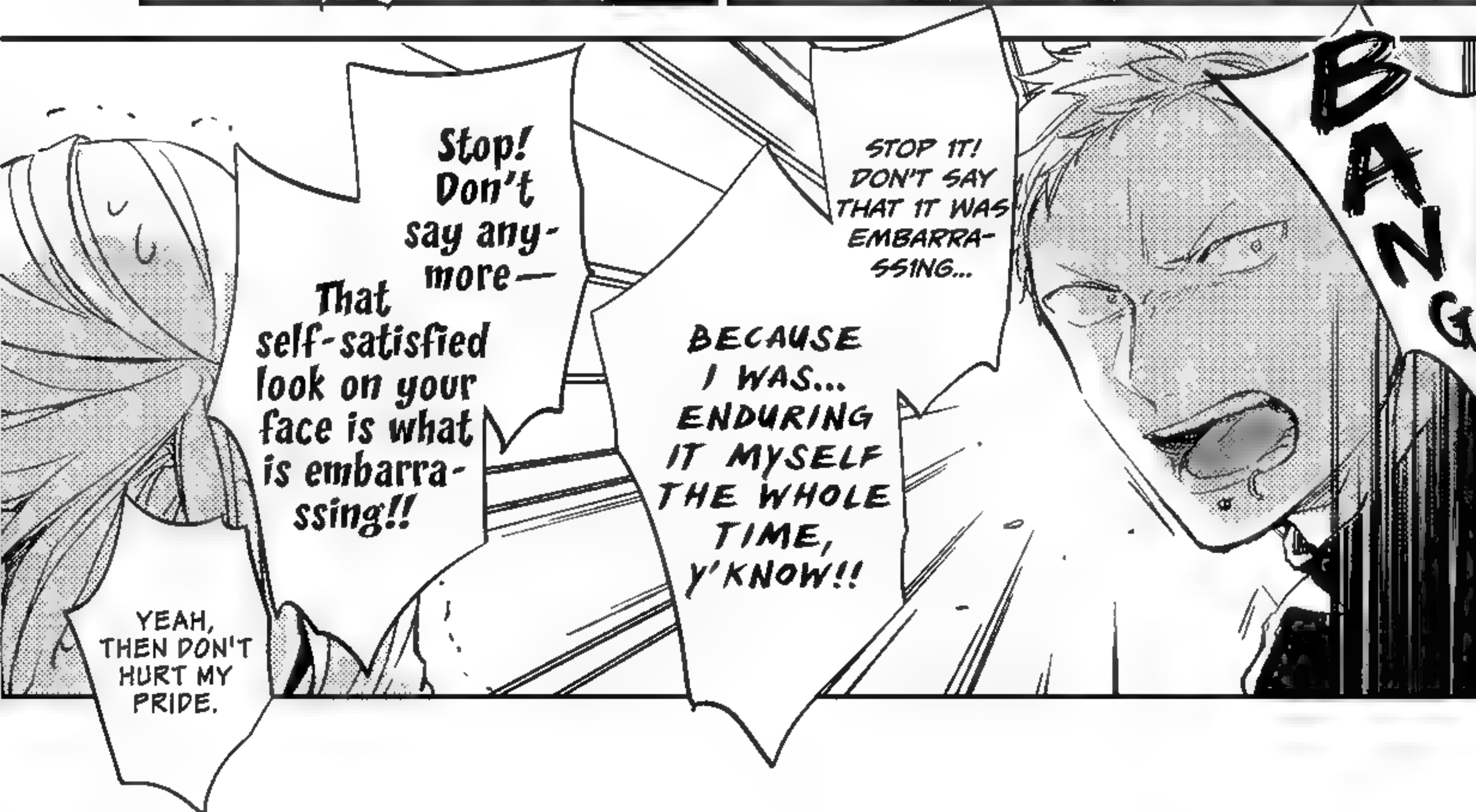


☆ T/N: Explanation to follow.





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\* T/N: "Artisto" - artist; "shashin" - photograph.

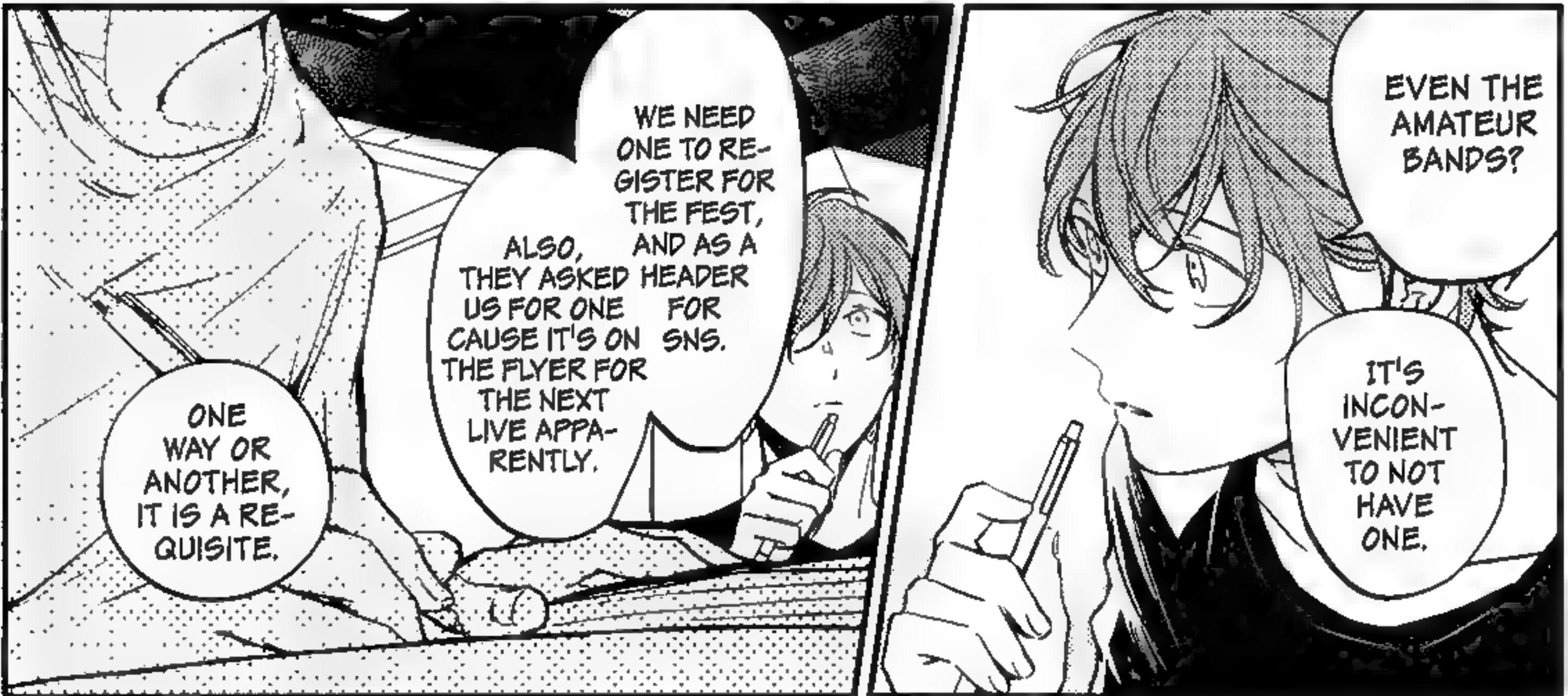
※ Examples

Abbreviation for "artisto shashin"\* - it is considered to be the band's promotional picture,

not only does it become both the image and icon of the band,

but because it serves multiple purposes, not having one is a disadvantage.

An "A-sha" is..?



EVEN THE AMATEUR BANDS?

IT'S INCONVENIENT TO NOT HAVE ONE.

SO,

AND







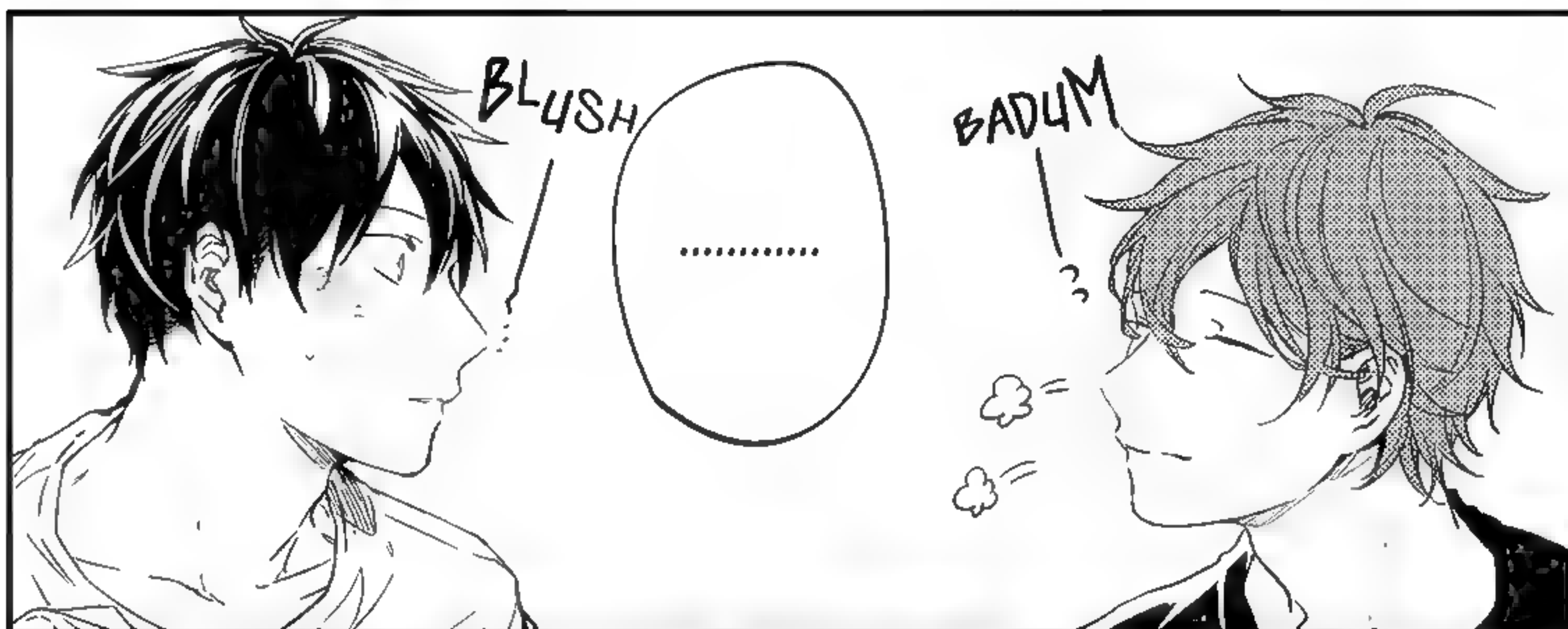
◇ T/N: Natsume Soseki is a late Japanese novelist (1867-1916) and "Kokoro" is the title of a novel written by her.



\* T/N: A Japanese stereotype is that girls choose 'Bunkei'-Fine arts and boys, 'Rikei'-Science.

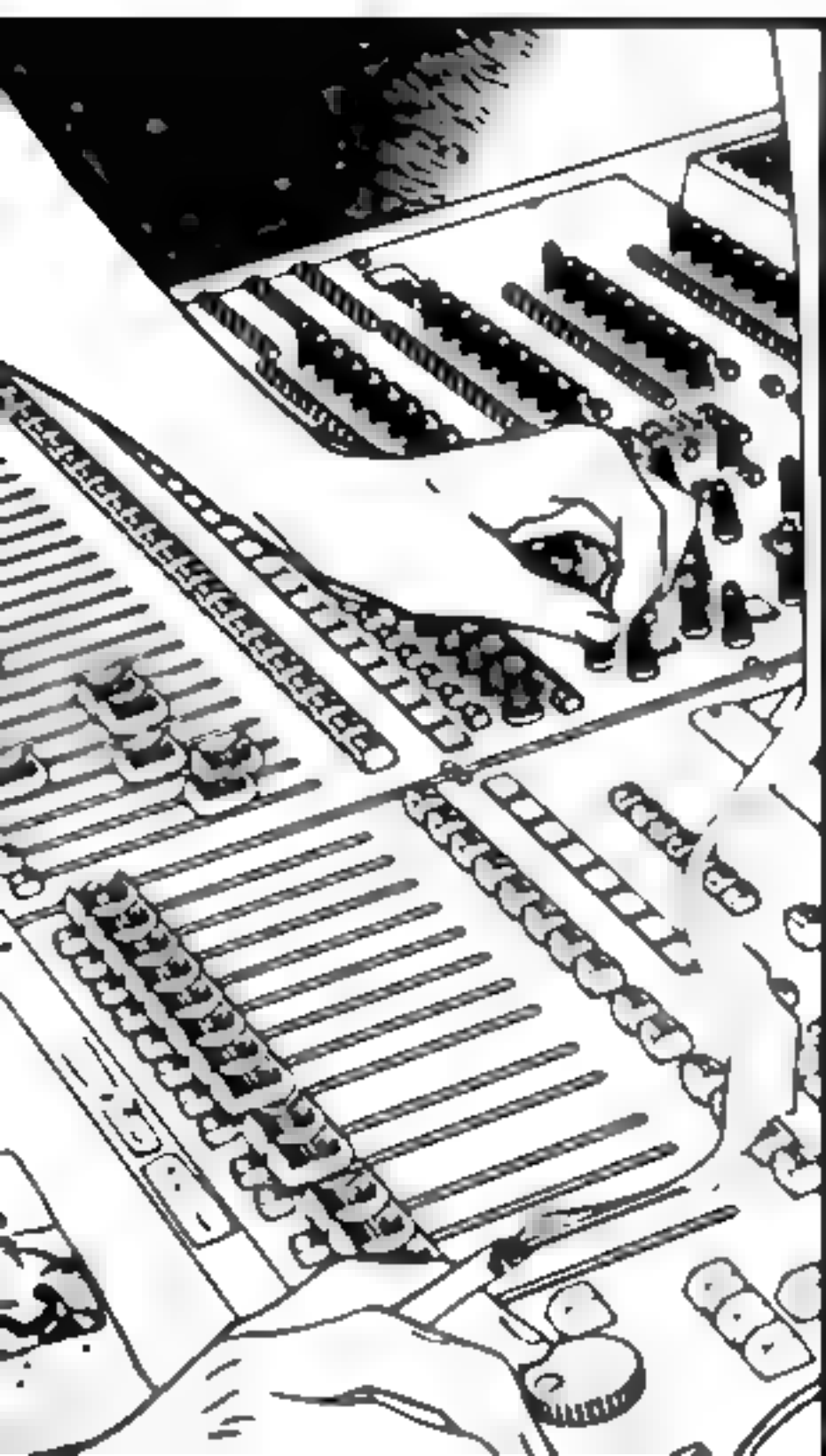
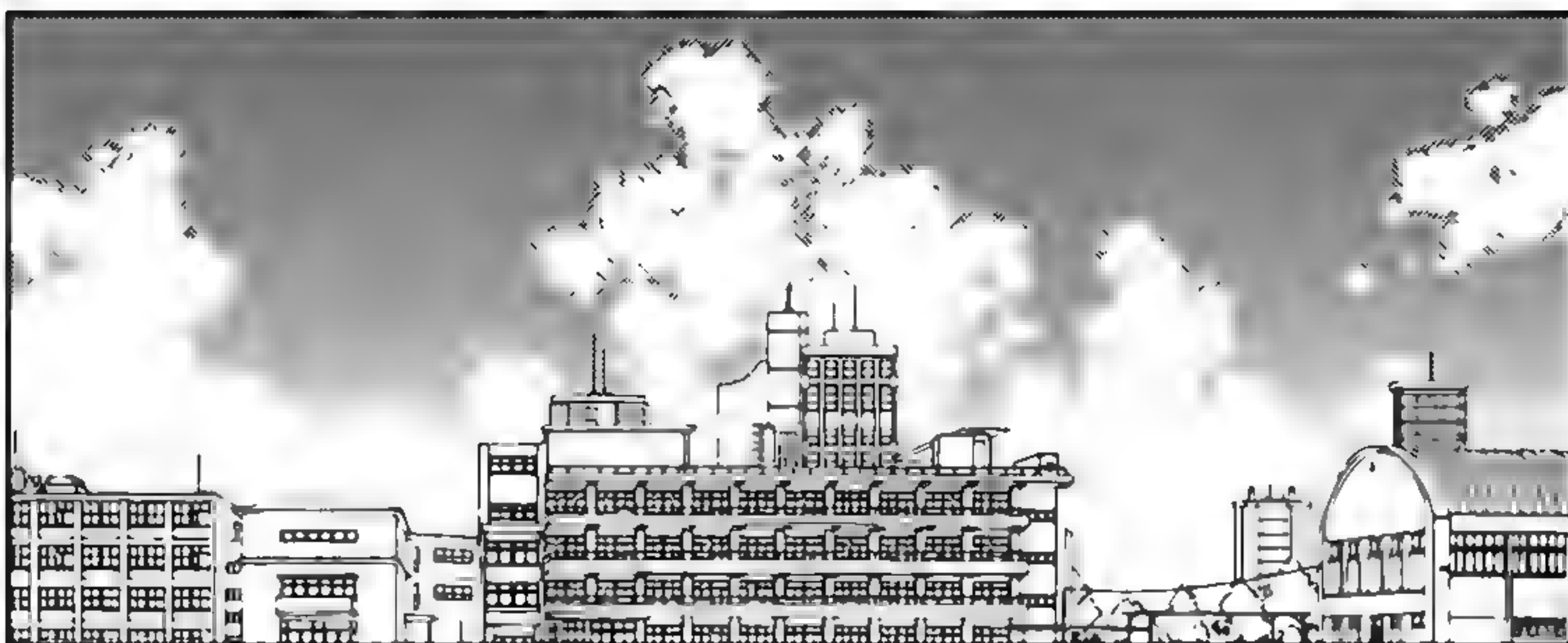




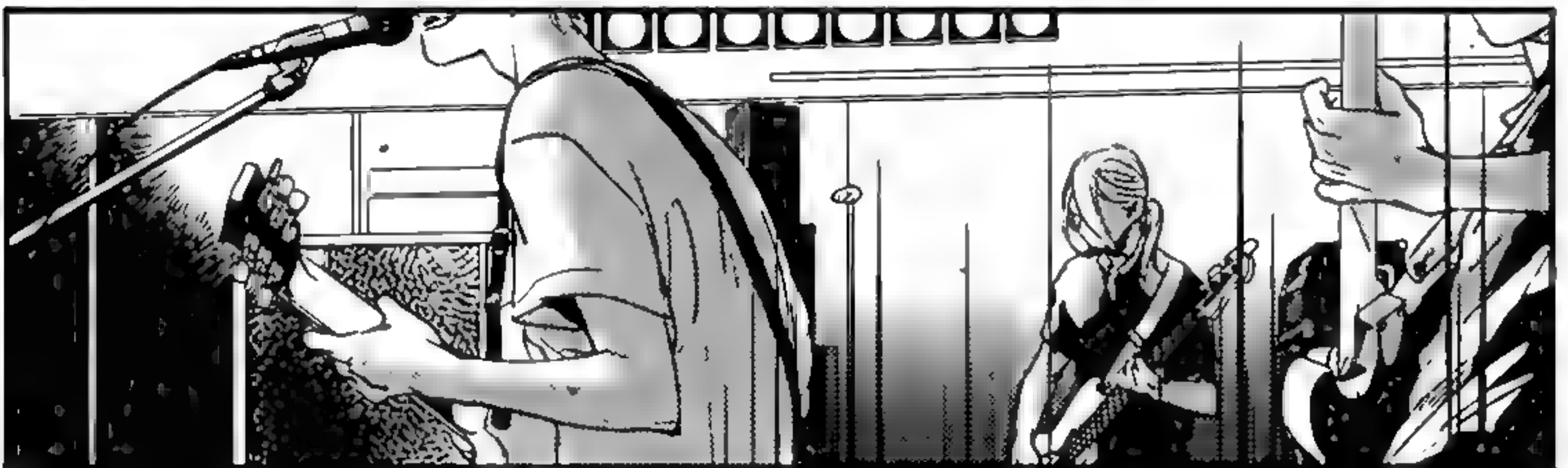


The  
seasons  
changed



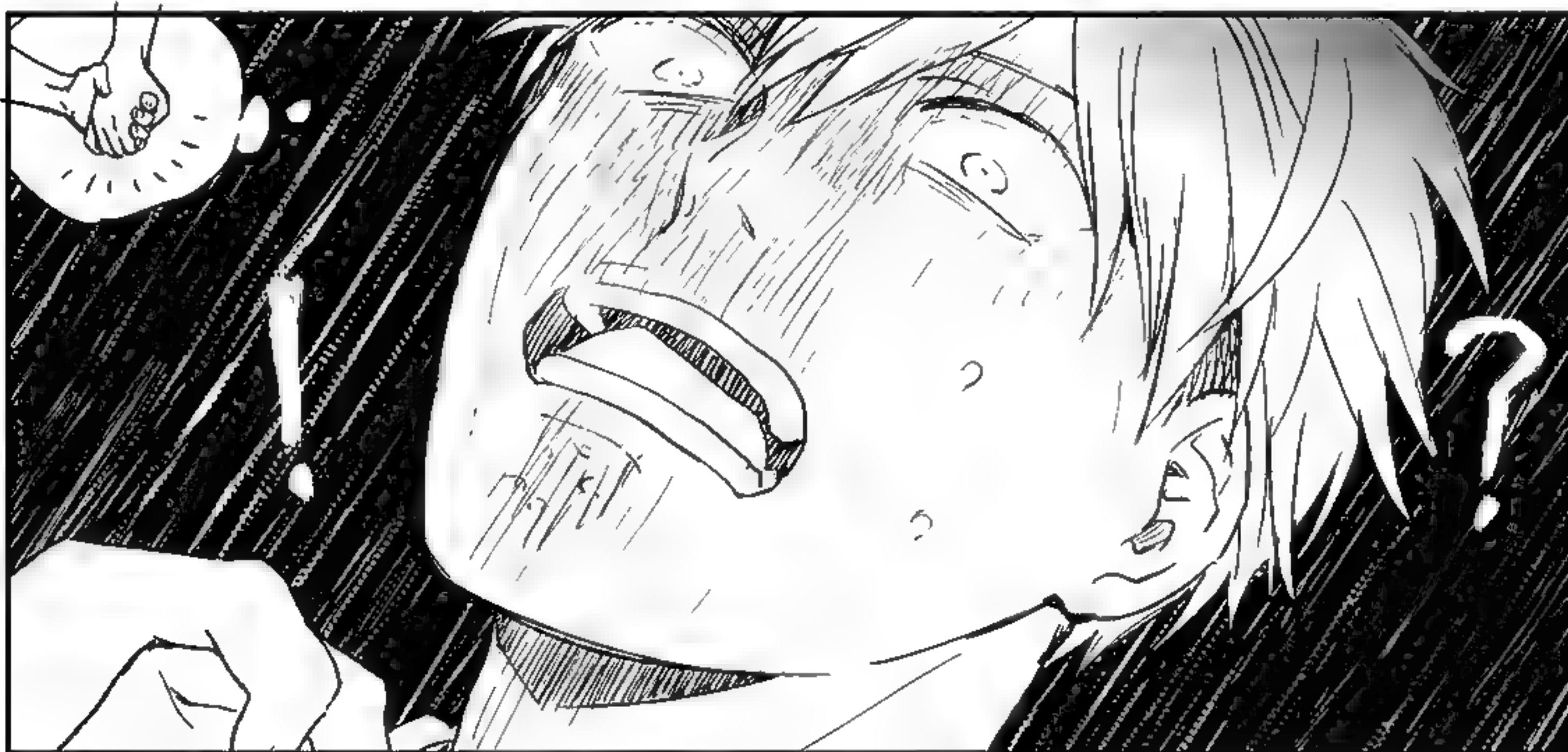
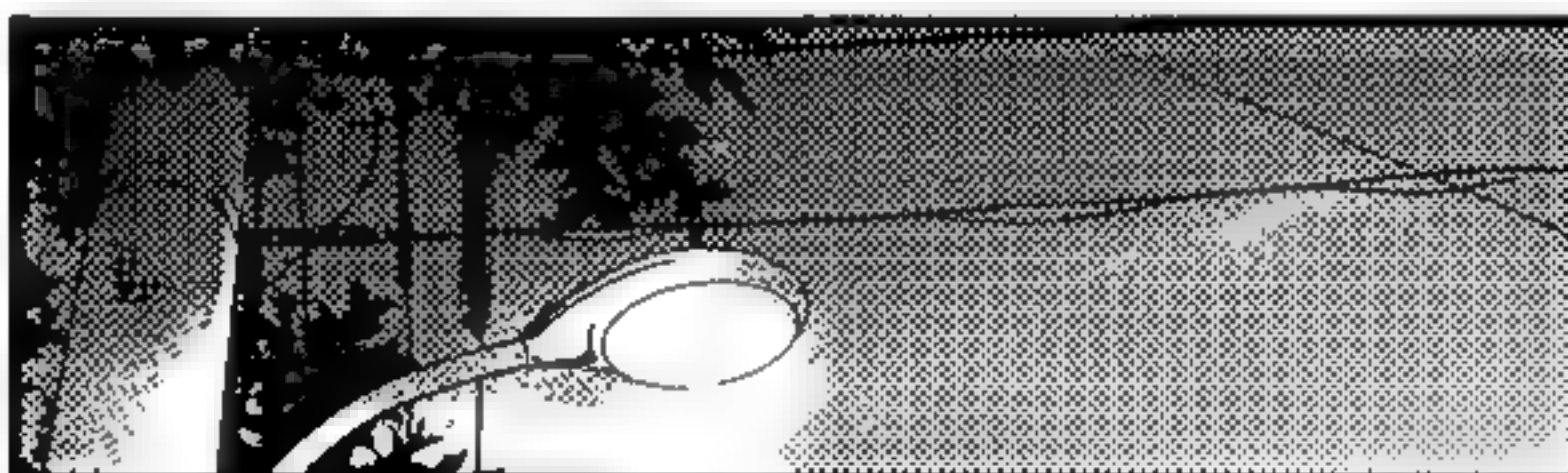
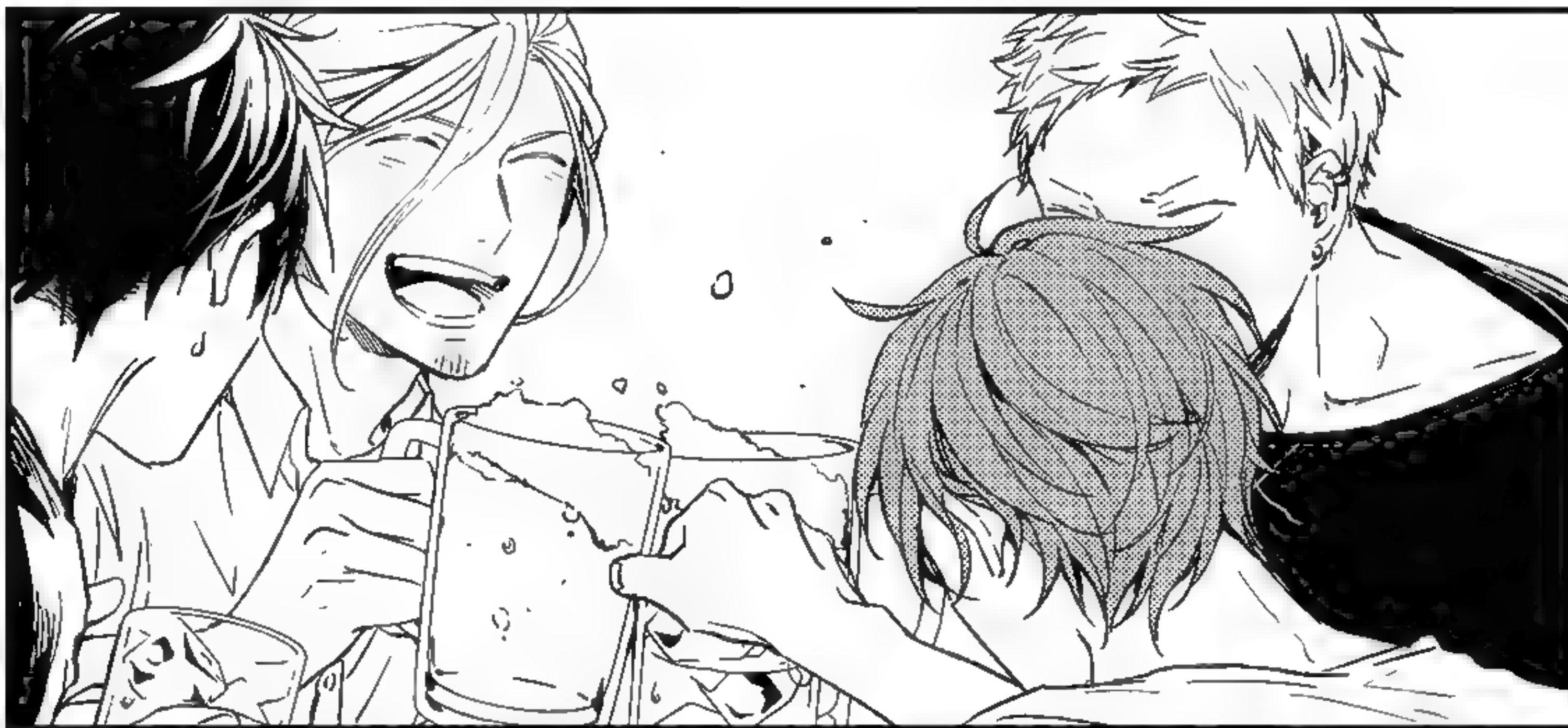




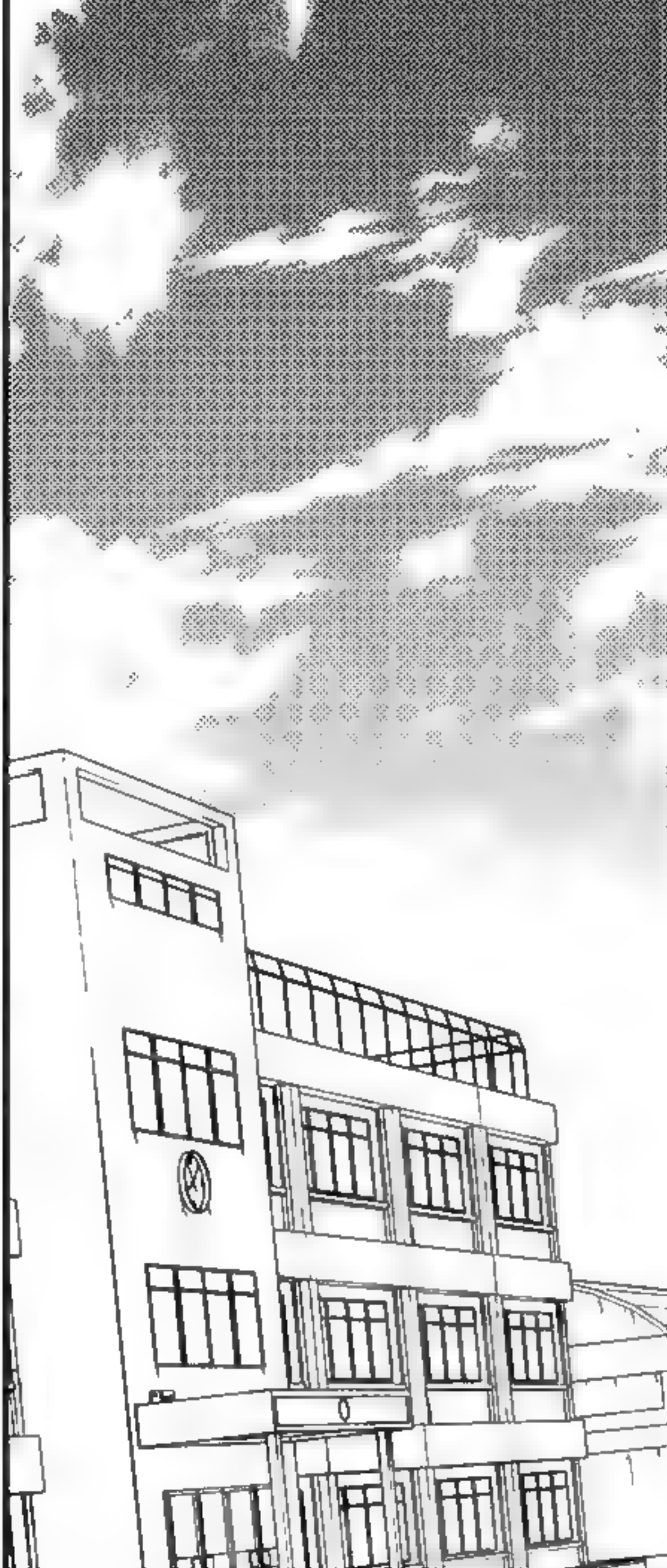
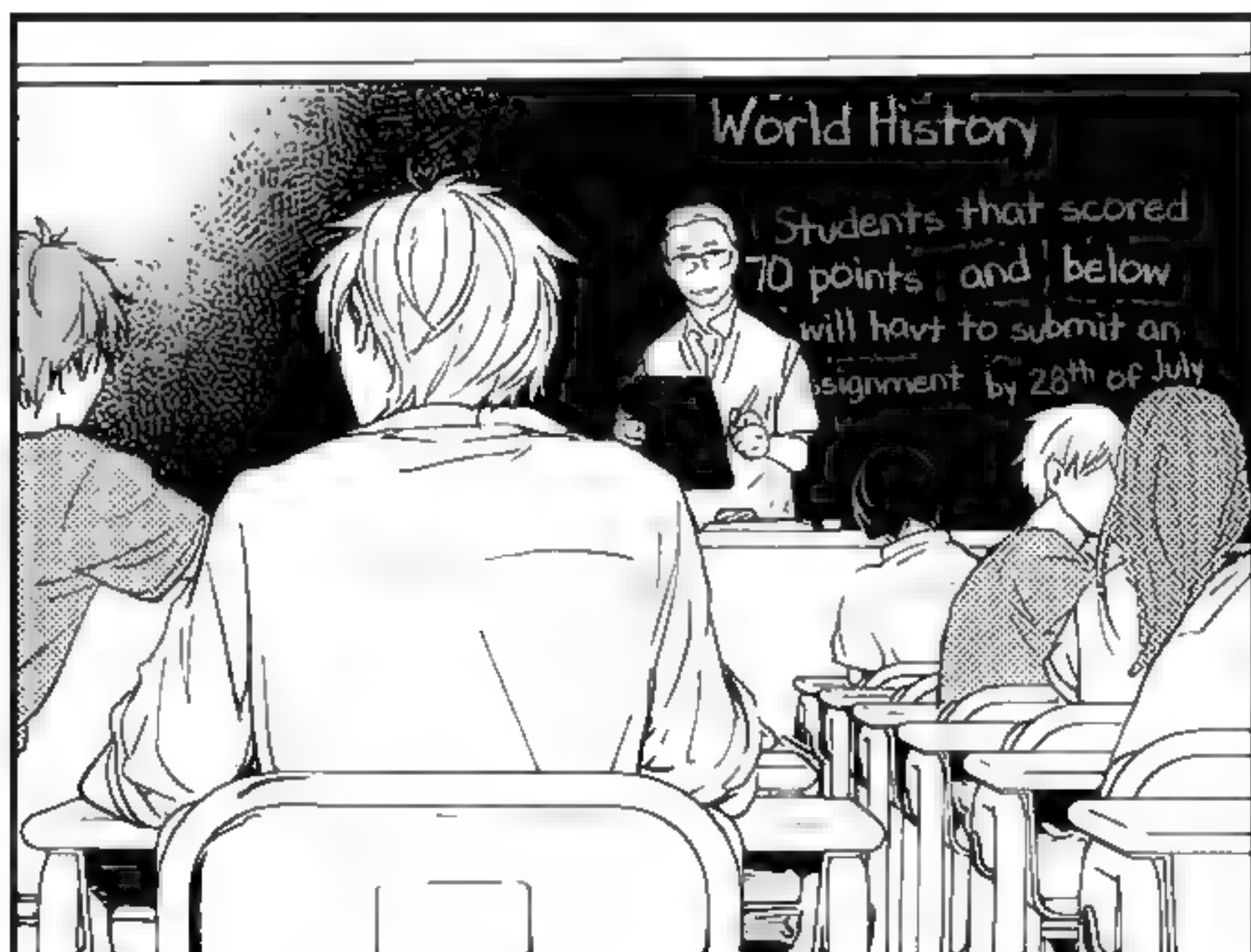




# ギヴン











Just like  
that...  
in the blink  
of an eye\*,  
summer  
break  
arrived.

\* The phrase used is "in the time it takes to say 'ah'".





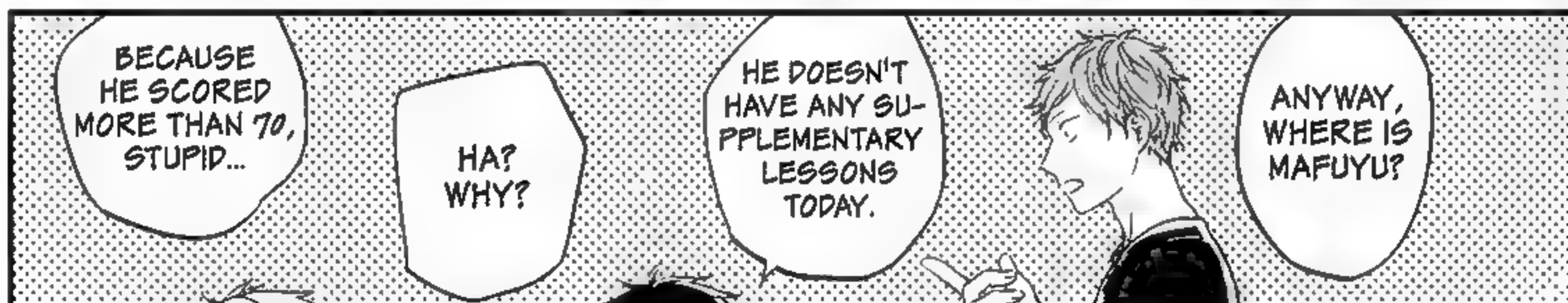


※T/N: Wiki — Periodic cicadas spend most of their lives as nymphs underground. Annual cicadas emerge every year.



♡ T/N: Uenoyama is talking about graduating from being a virgin. Refer to ch 13.







Of late,  
Mafuyu is

BUT WHY,  
ALL OF A  
SUDDEN?

into an  
empty  
pool.

he is  
absorbing  
music. Like  
pouring water  
which goes  
*glug glug*

It is  
almost  
as if,

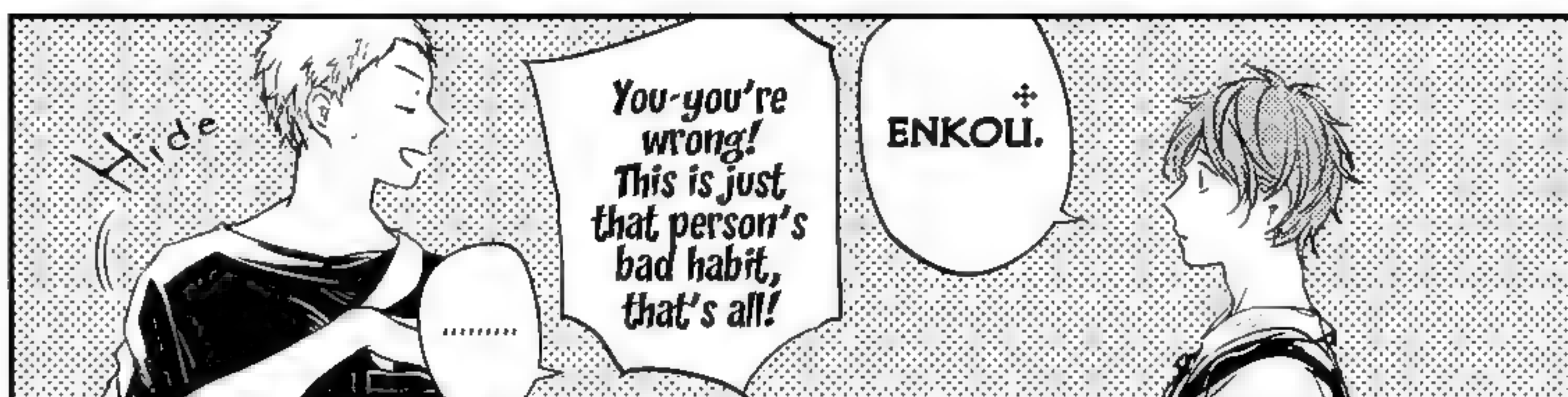
constantly  
spending time  
with Kaji-san—  
who has the  
broadest range  
of knowledge  
in music.

Shock

SCREECH



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✦T/N: "ENJOU KOUSAI" — dating with compensation.

"—AKIHIKO?"







ji  
ji  
—



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\*T/N: Term used is  
"musha shugyou" —  
warrior like training/study.



NOISE  
CROWD

TO ACTUALLY  
COME ALONG  
WITH ME TO A  
CONCERT WAS  
REALLY UNEX-  
PECTED.

BUT,  
SAYING  
THAT YOU  
WANT TO  
STUDY \*  
MUSIC,  
AND

WE'RE  
GONNA  
BE LATE,  
LET'S  
GO.



CHATTER

THERE  
WERE SOME  
CLASSICAL  
PIECES IN  
THE CDS YOU  
LENT ME.

WAS IT  
BORING?

NOT  
AT ALL.

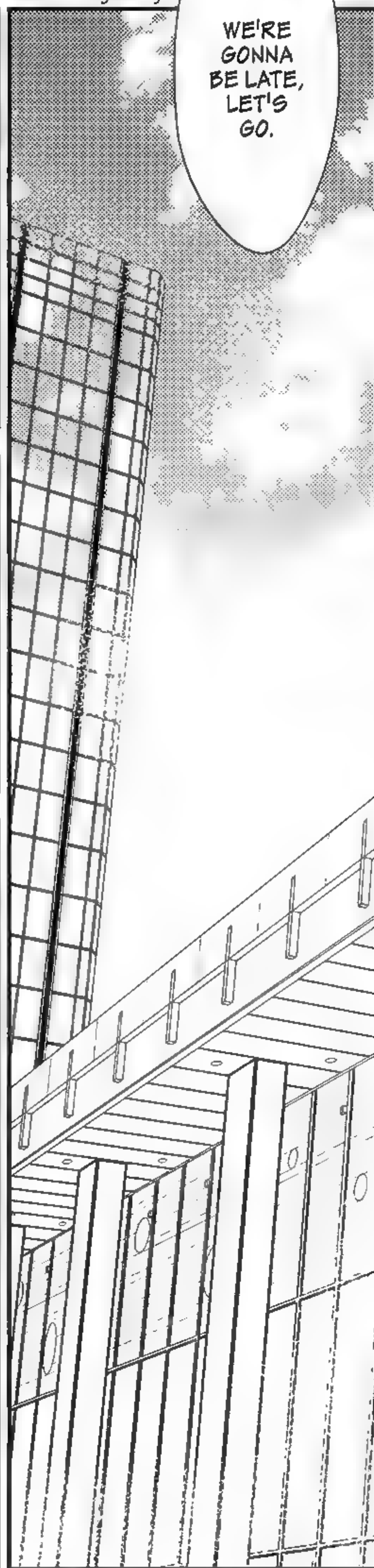
I EN-  
JOYED  
THEM.

HMM.



THANK  
YOU FOR THE  
TICKET.

YEAH  
WELL,  
IT'S NOT  
ME YOU HAVE  
TO THANK  
FOR THE  
TICKETS.







PEEK





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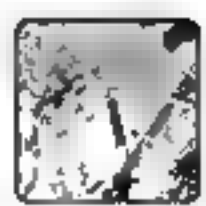






THIS IS  
A VIOLIN  
CONCERTO.





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@given\_ssn

Happy birthday to our bassist—Haruki





## UEKI RYUU (17)

180 cm      High School 2nd Year

Birth. 5/31      Gemini      A-type

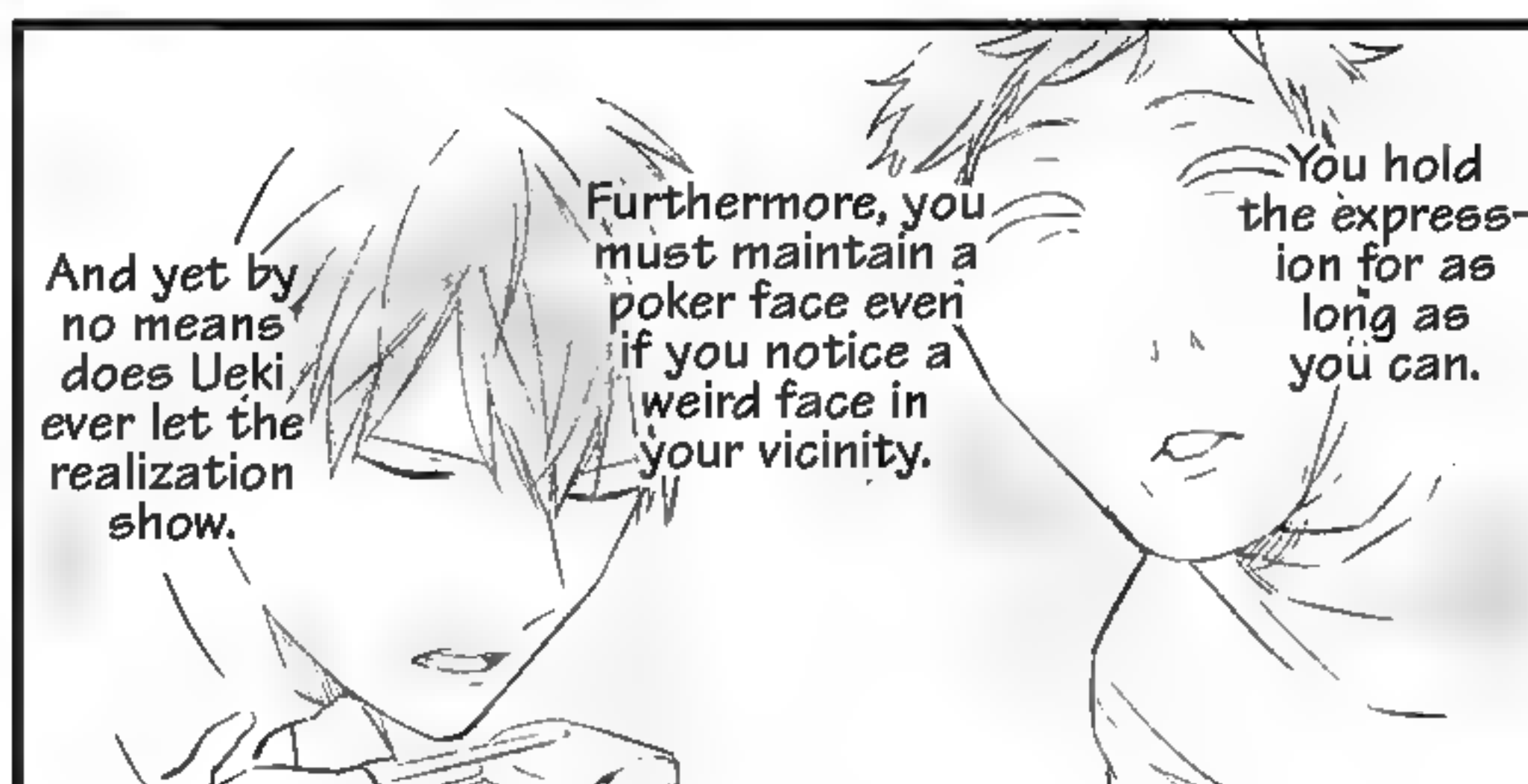
Basketball center

- In the same class as Uenoyama and Itaya from their 1st year and grew to love music under the influence of those two.



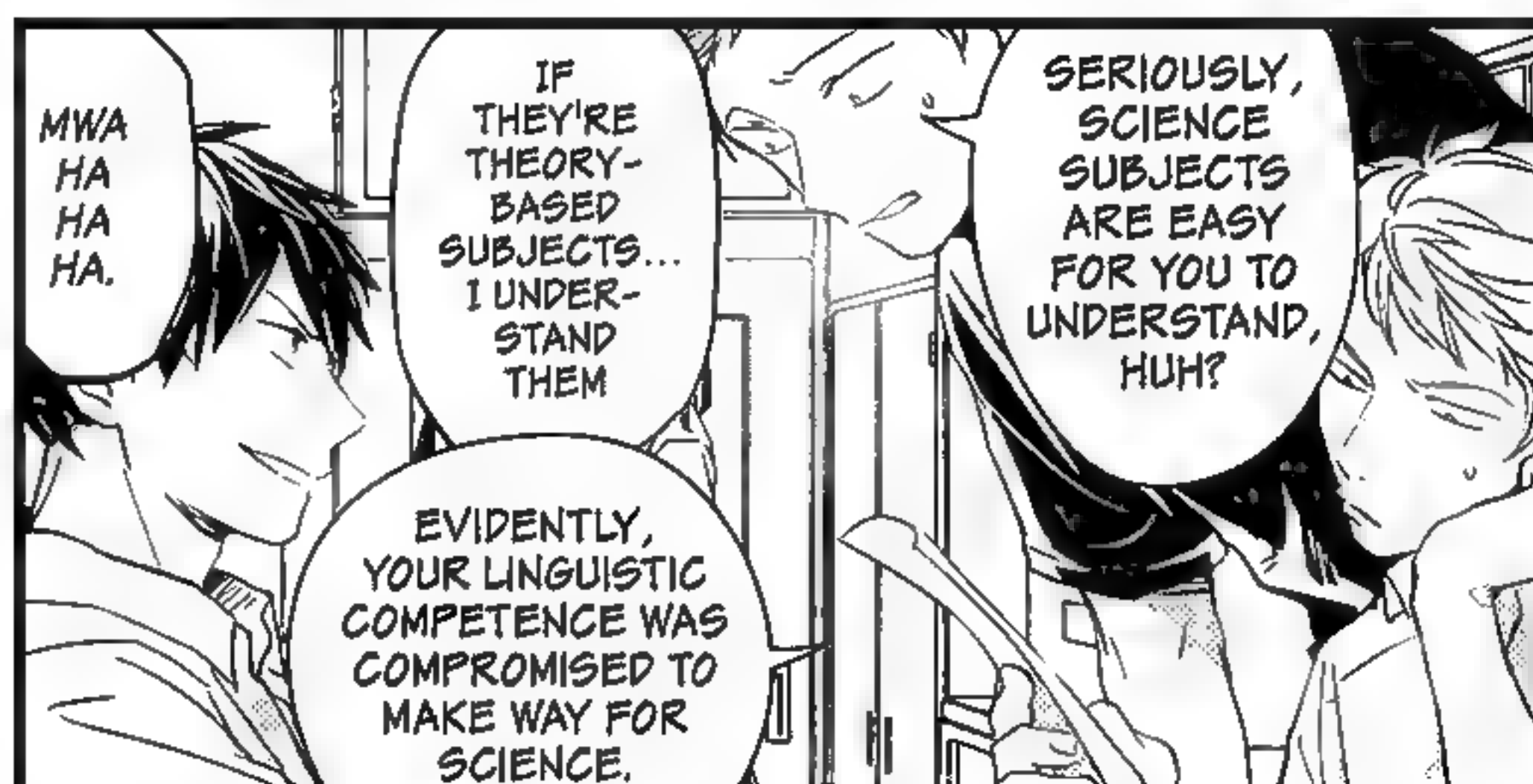


THE  
"CAN'T  
DO  
ANYTHING  
FUN  
IN  
THE  
ABSENCE  
OF  
UEKI  
KUN"  
DISORDER





SEEING  
ITAYA'S  
ICE-COLD  
GAZE  
FOR  
THE  
FIRST  
TIME

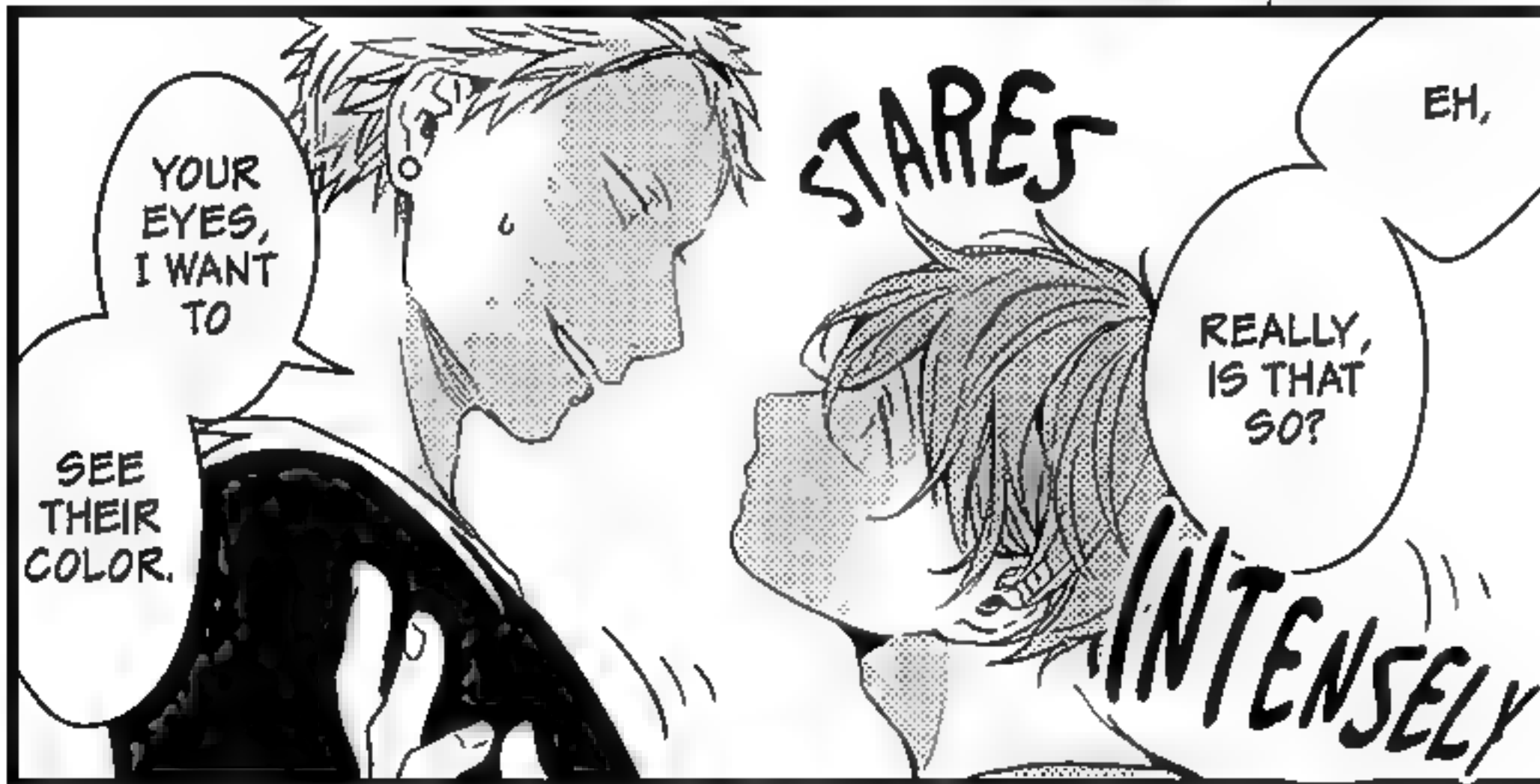


FACES THAT MEAN: "GUESS PEOPLE LIKE THIS DO EXIST AFTER ALL"





◇ T/N: "Half" — Japanese/mixed race



HARUKI: "OI, IS THAT ALLOWED?"

SOMETHING  
I  
WAS  
CURIOUS  
ABOUT



# THE HAIR ARRANGEMENT COURSE TO SLAY MEN- (IN SHORT)

\* T/N: "Harusame" — "gentle spring rain"  
(can also mean thin noodles  
made from bean or potato starch).



❖ T/N: "Jiyugaoka"—  
commercial and  
residential neigh-  
borhood in Tokyo.

★ T/N: "Kururinpa"—a hairstyle  
popular in Japan for its  
simple yet elegant look.



A NONCHALANTLY POPULAR CHANNEL



# THE HAIR ARRANGEMENT COURSE TO SLAY MEN

②



actual silence

No but, normally there is an air like that right?

SHOP MANAGER ↓

pause lolololol





# HANAOKA-KUN WITH A SEEMINGLY GOOD NOMINATION RATE



★ T/N: The kanji used is (神 God) which is read "kami" — same as the kanji for (髪 hair) — "kami".



← Here





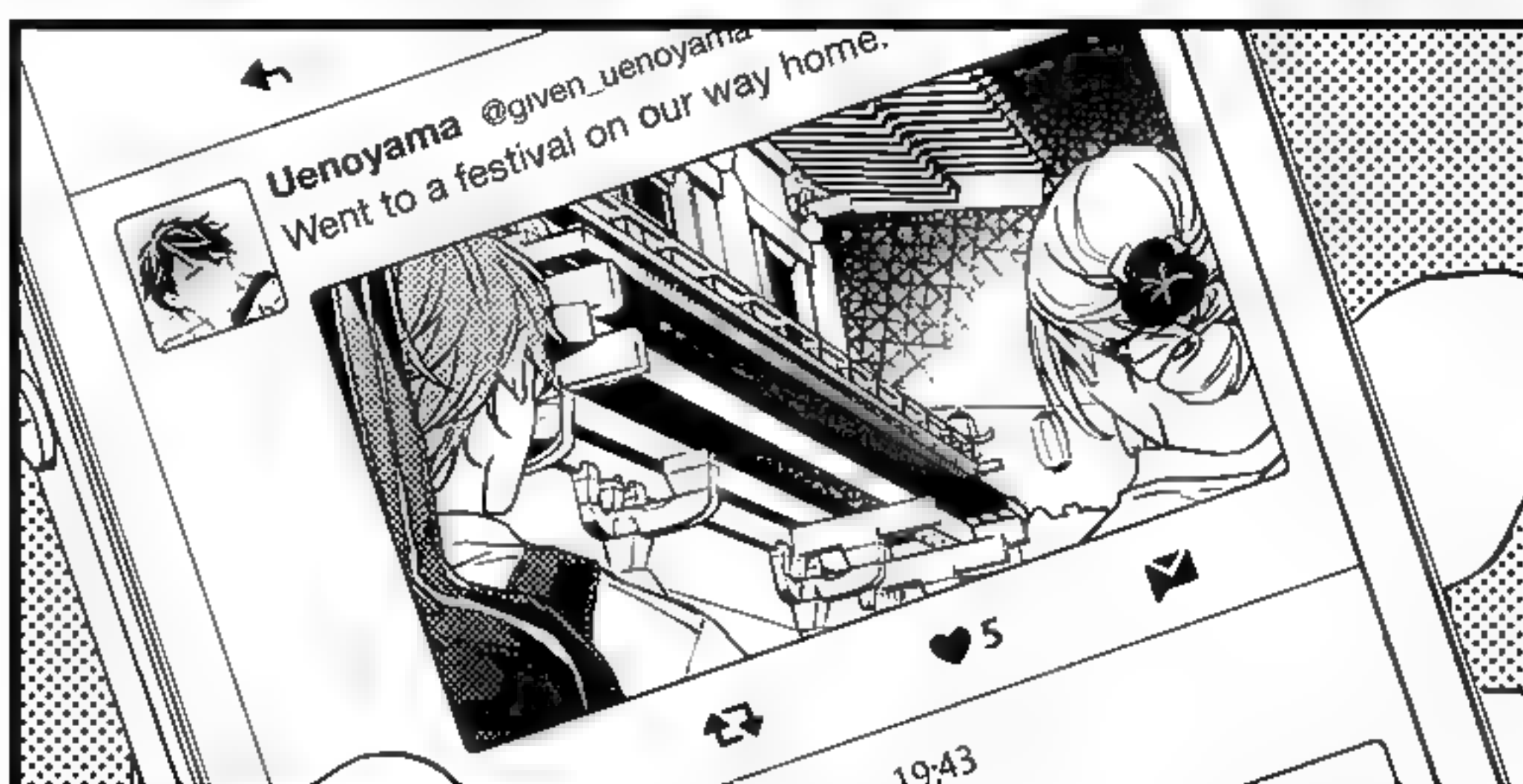
# TRAGIC DEATH



WHY ARE YOU GUYS JUMPING ONTO  
THAT SORT OF THING IN SUCH A SITUATION?



**WARNED  
YOU  
BEFORE  
THE  
DATE  
NOT  
TO  
DO  
IT?!**

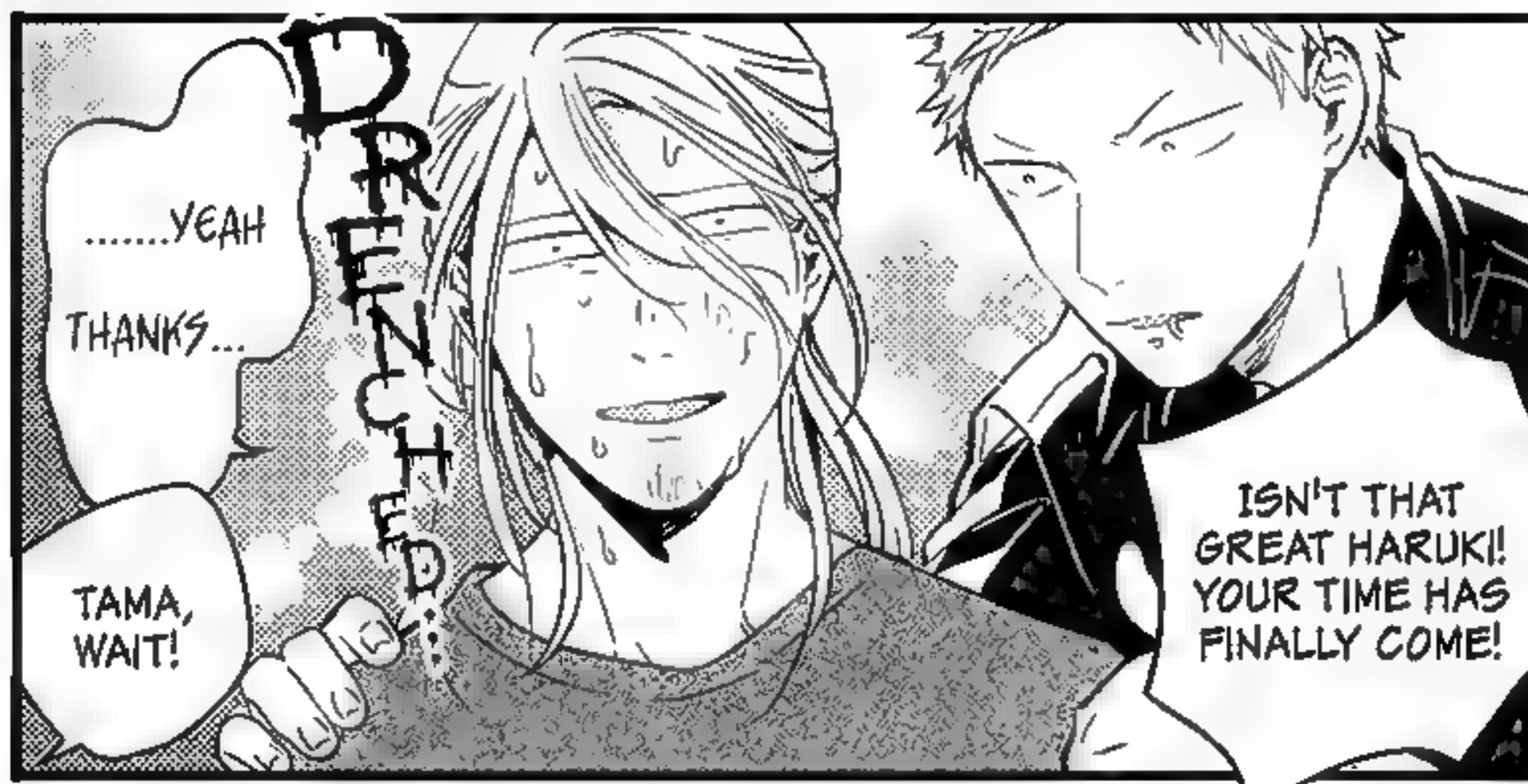


\*T/N: "Kanzashi" – ornate hair pin used in traditional Japanese hairstyles.





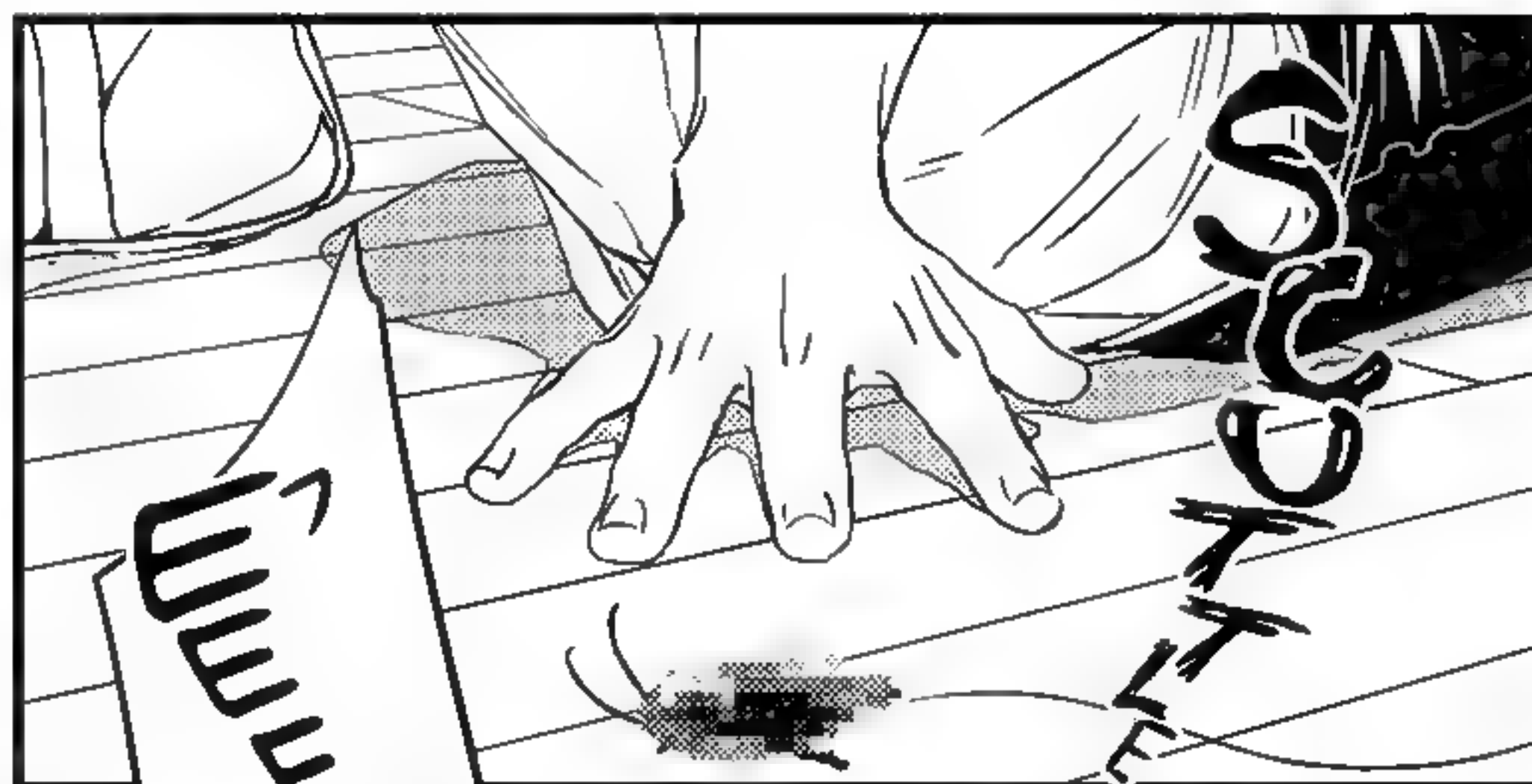
**KEDAMA  
LOVES  
HARUKI**



**LOVE IS DAMP AND SLIPPERY**



DESPAIR  
CAUSED  
BY  
THE  
PET  
DOG  
IS  
PROFOUND



\*T/N: "G/ G-sama" ("Mr. G") – euphemism for "gokiburi" – meaning, cockroach.

IF I  
DON'T DO IT  
BEFORE KEDAMA  
GETS TO THE G,  
HE WILL COME  
AND LICK ME  
AFTER HE'S  
EATEN IT...





## KEDAMA (9 MONTHS OLD)

✧ T/N: "Pero pero" — SFX for dogs/cats licking.

A "pero pero" ✧ dog Mafuyu's mom got him for his birthday (without careful deliberation) because Mafuyu was not very lively.





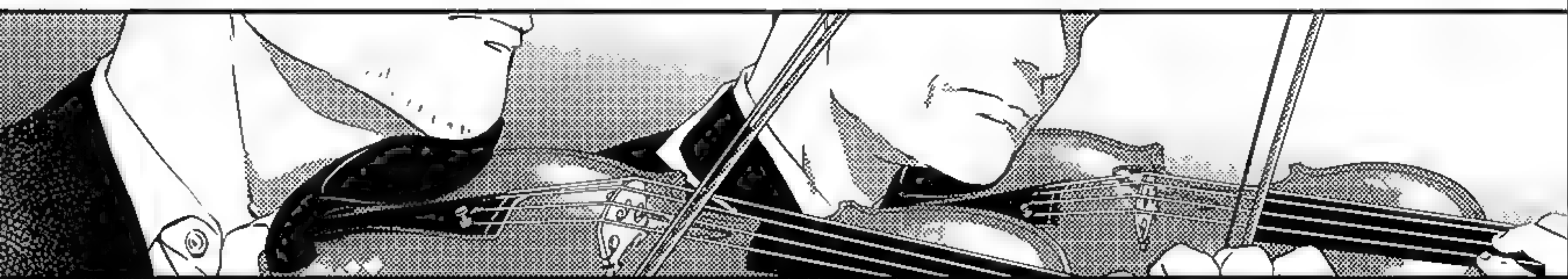
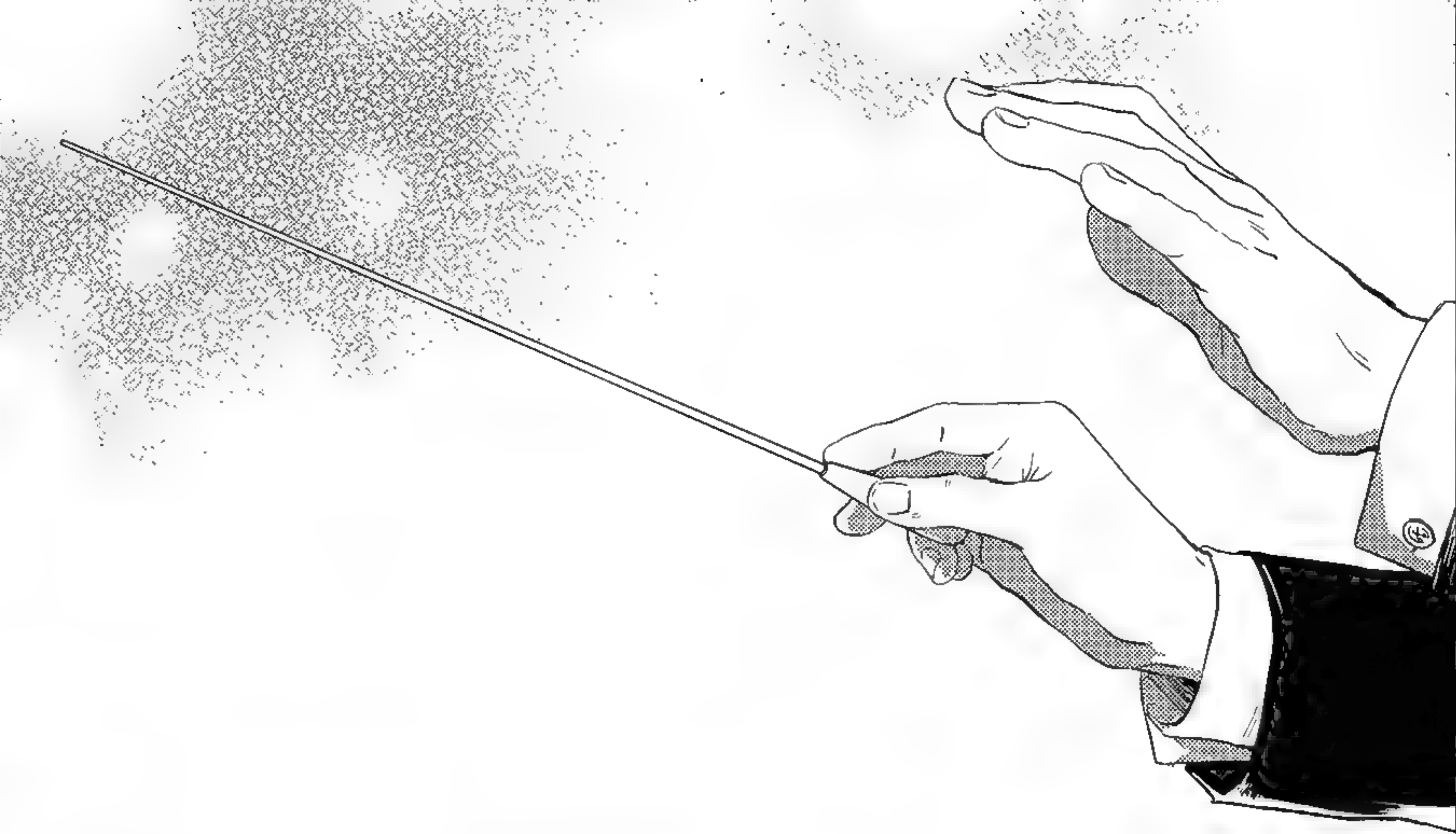


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given







Tchaikovsky—  
Violin Concerto 2nd movement in D major,  
Op 35



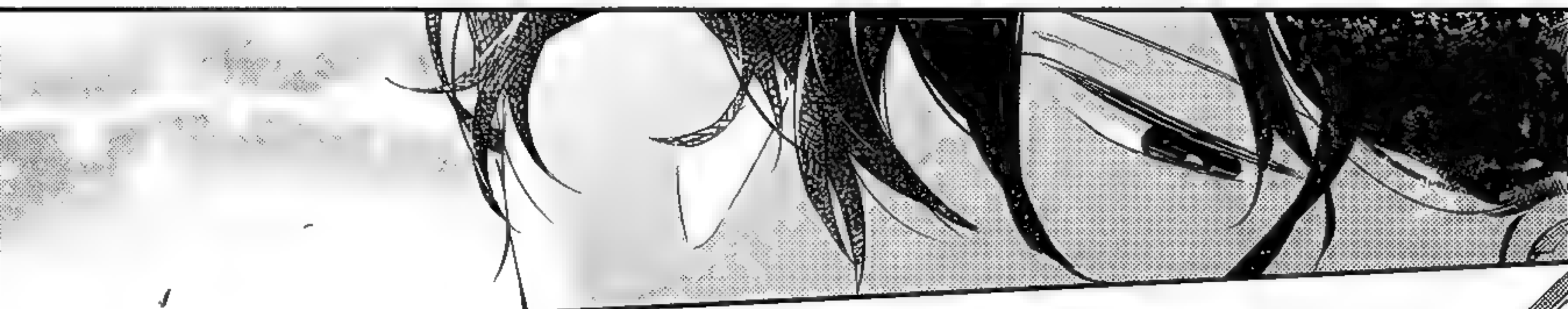






Ugetsu  
was

the first  
genius I'd  
ever met—

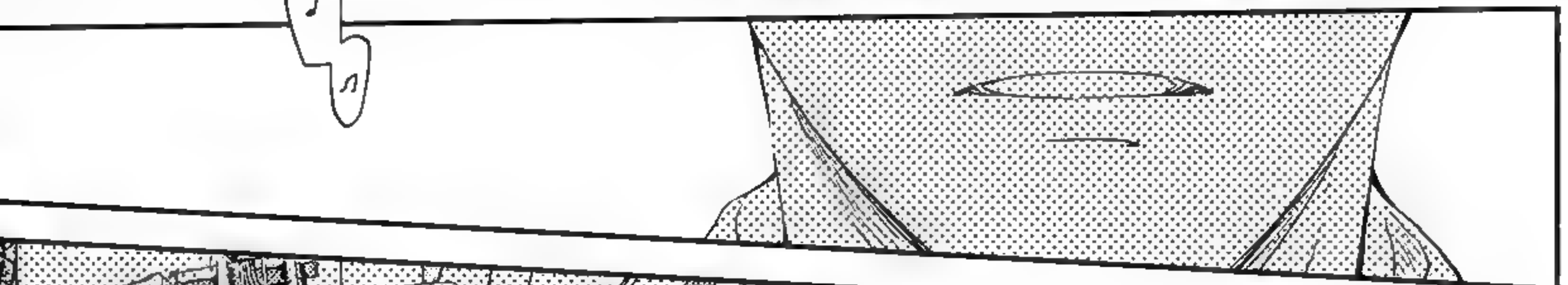


with unreal  
talent—  
almost de-  
vastatingly  
powerful.



—Before,










I've  
always  
hated  
this man.







the sublime  
magnifi-  
cence of  
his music...

extraor-  
dinary  
technique...


His  
phantas-  
magoric  
presen-  
tation  
skills,



with over-  
whelming  
emotion



the cool  
and clear  
cadenza,



and  
sensuality.





MUSIC...

.....

AKIHIKO-  
SAN,



MUSIC.

I WANT  
TO MAKE...



.....

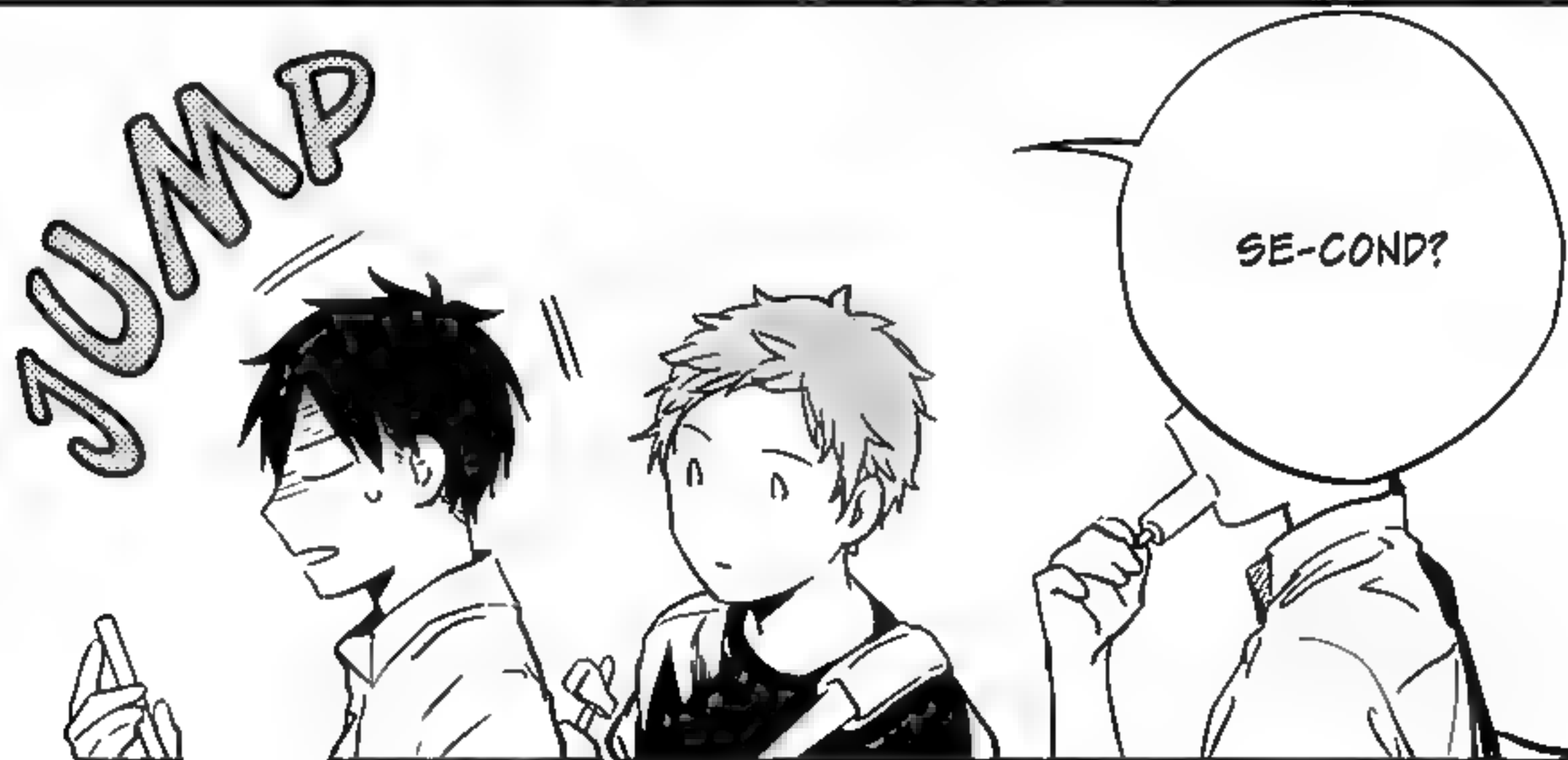
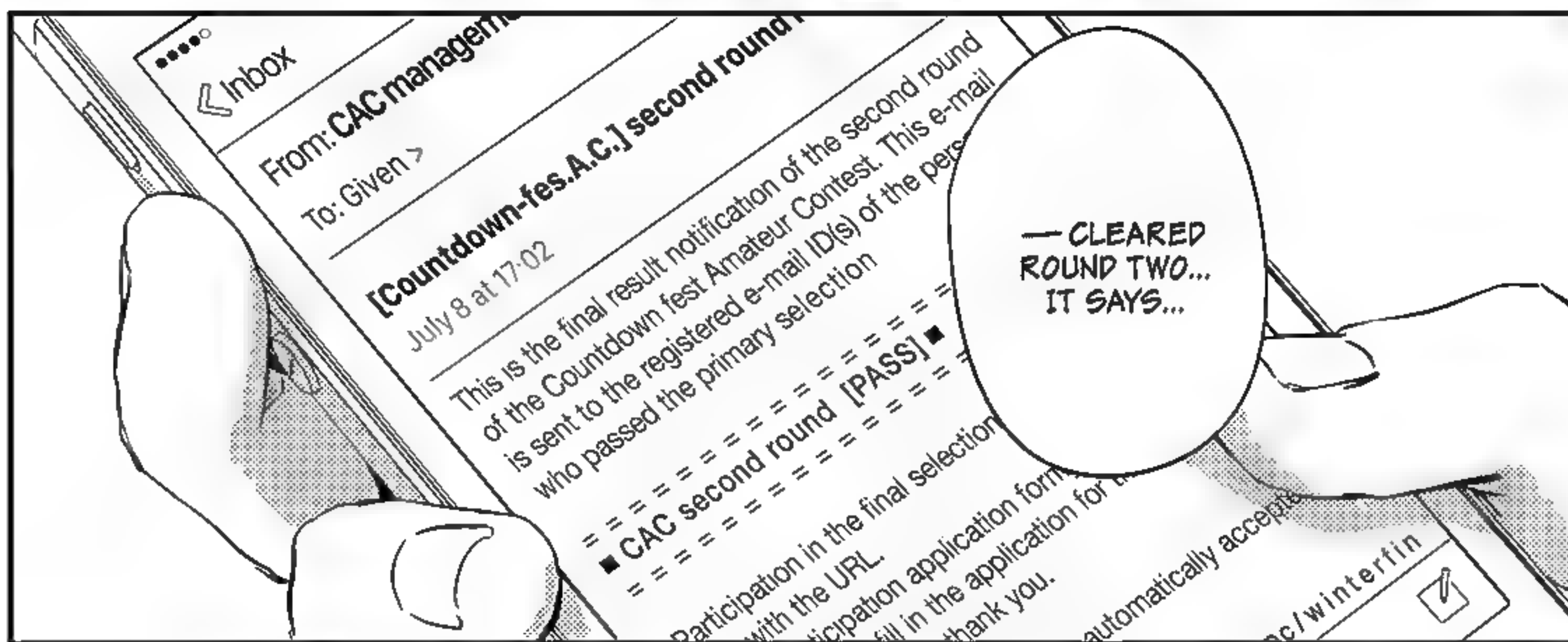
Our Mafuyu-  
is probably  
going to  
transform  
into a force  
himself.



This is no  
ordinary  
feeling.

**BUZZ**









THE PUBLIC  
ENTRY TO  
PARTICIPATE  
AT THE CAC!  
WE SIGNED UP  
FOR IT YOU  
KNOW!!!

WHAT IS  
THIS ALL  
ABOUT?



and a chance  
to perform on  
stage at large  
scale music  
festivals like  
"GataROCK"\*  
or  
"Natusoni"\*\*\*.

An opportunity  
for amateur  
bands to mingle  
with professional  
artists

The count-  
down fest—

\*Rock music festival \*\*Natsu-soni- summer sonic festival

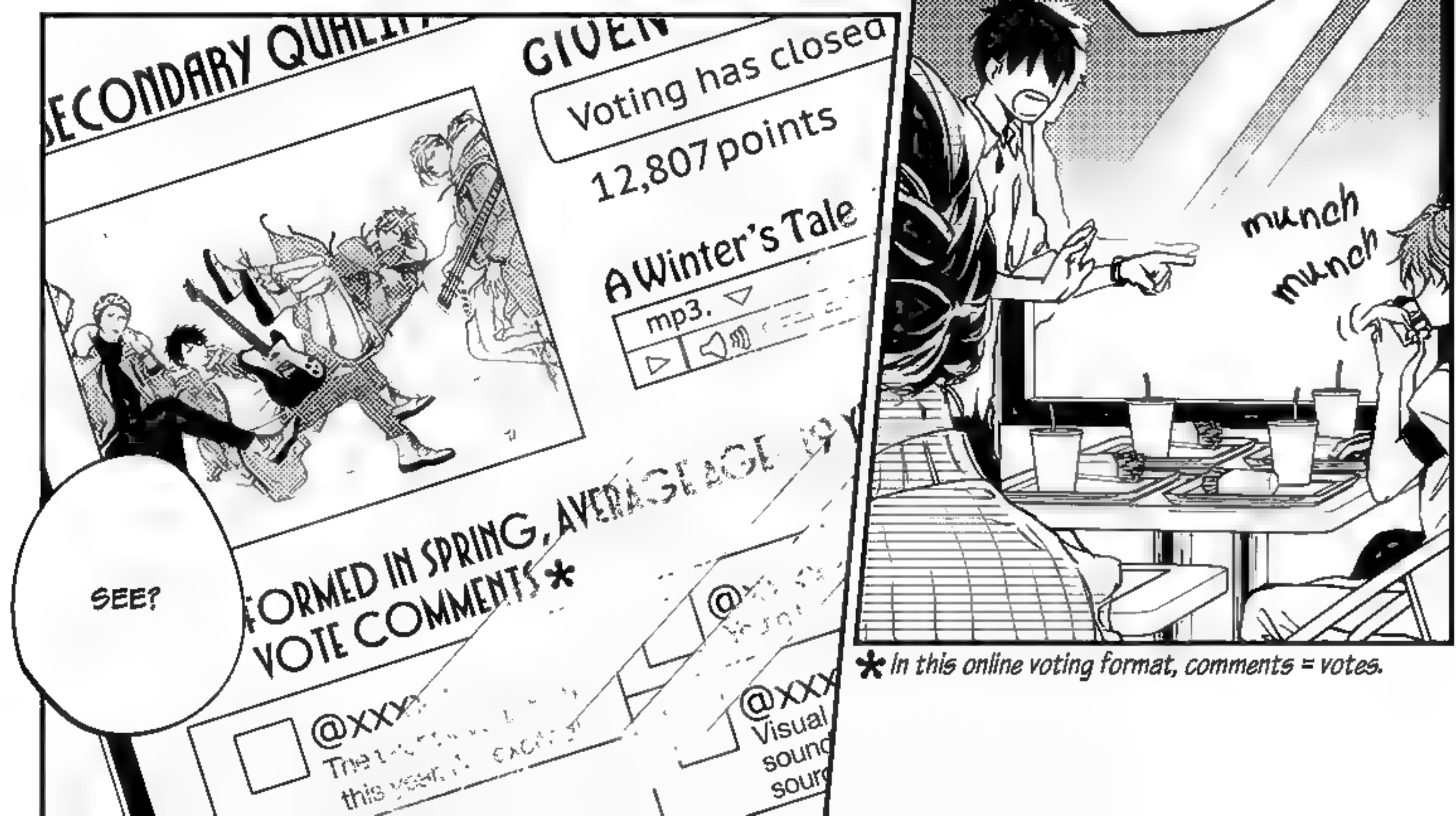
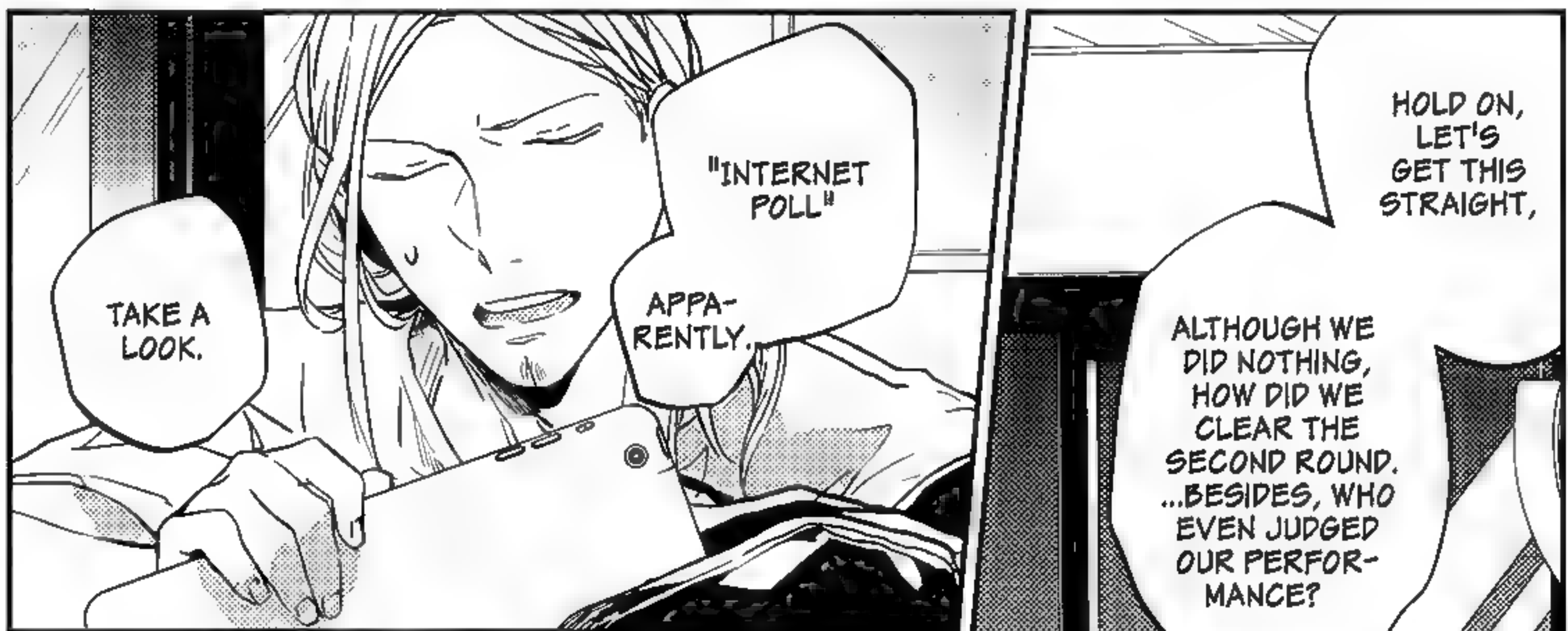


It's a  
gateway for  
aspiring artists  
to actively be  
a part of the  
"major scene".

CAC in  
short.

And every  
year, the  
**"COUNTDOWN  
AMATEUR  
CONTEST"**  
is held to fill  
this stage-  
performance  
quota aka,





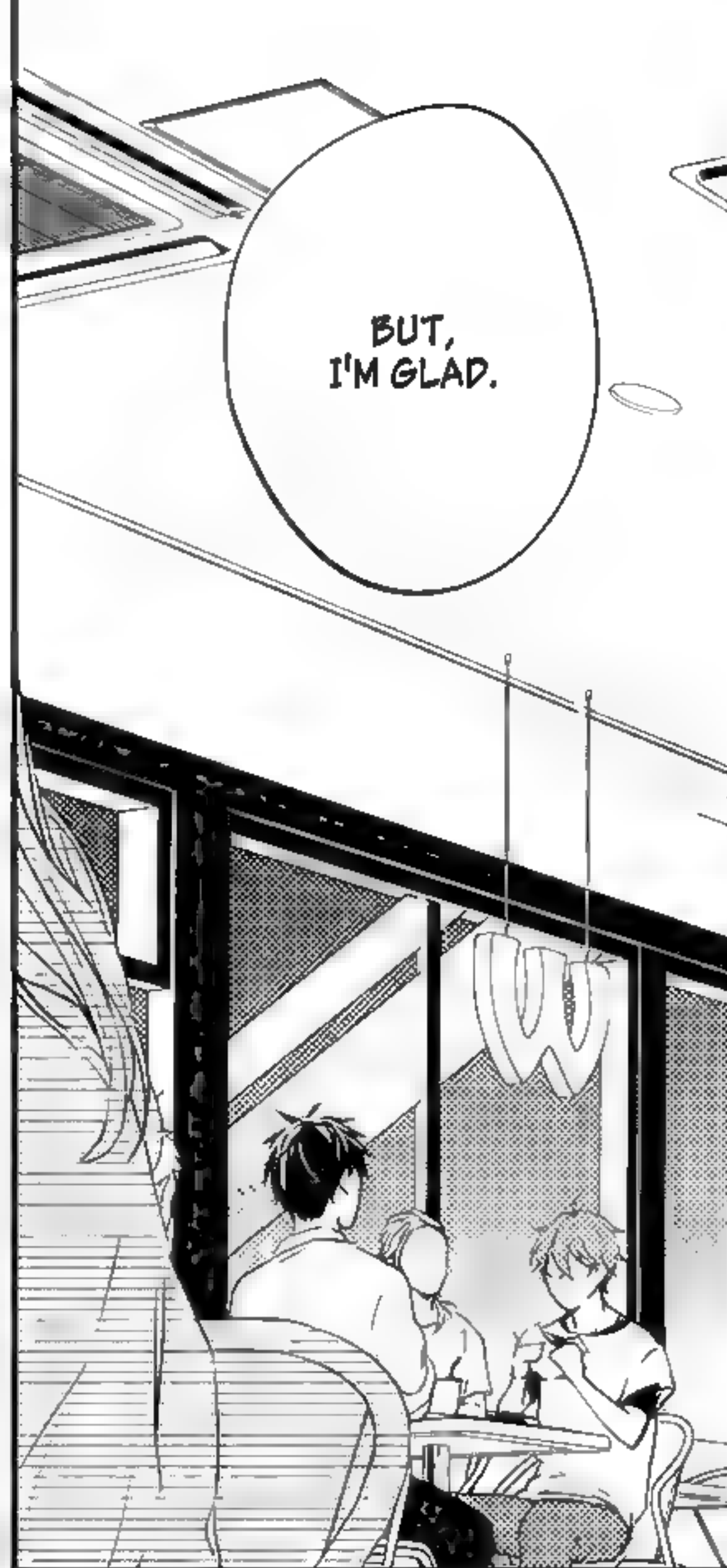
















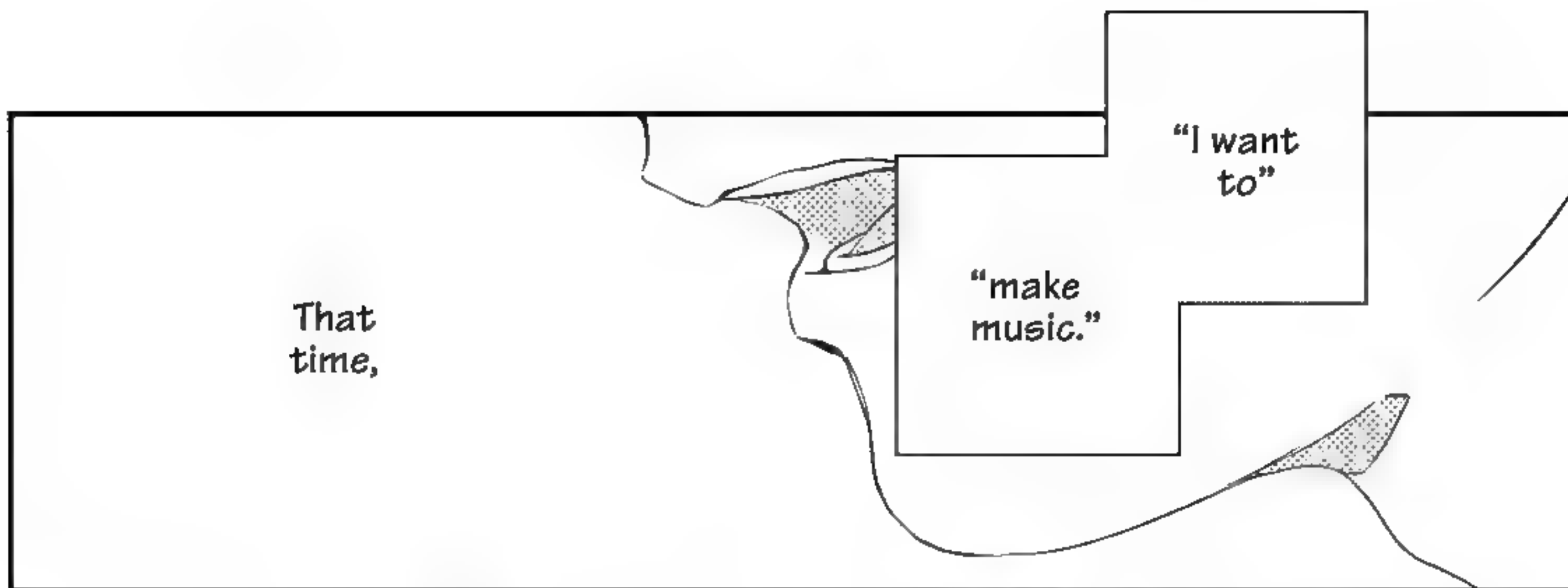








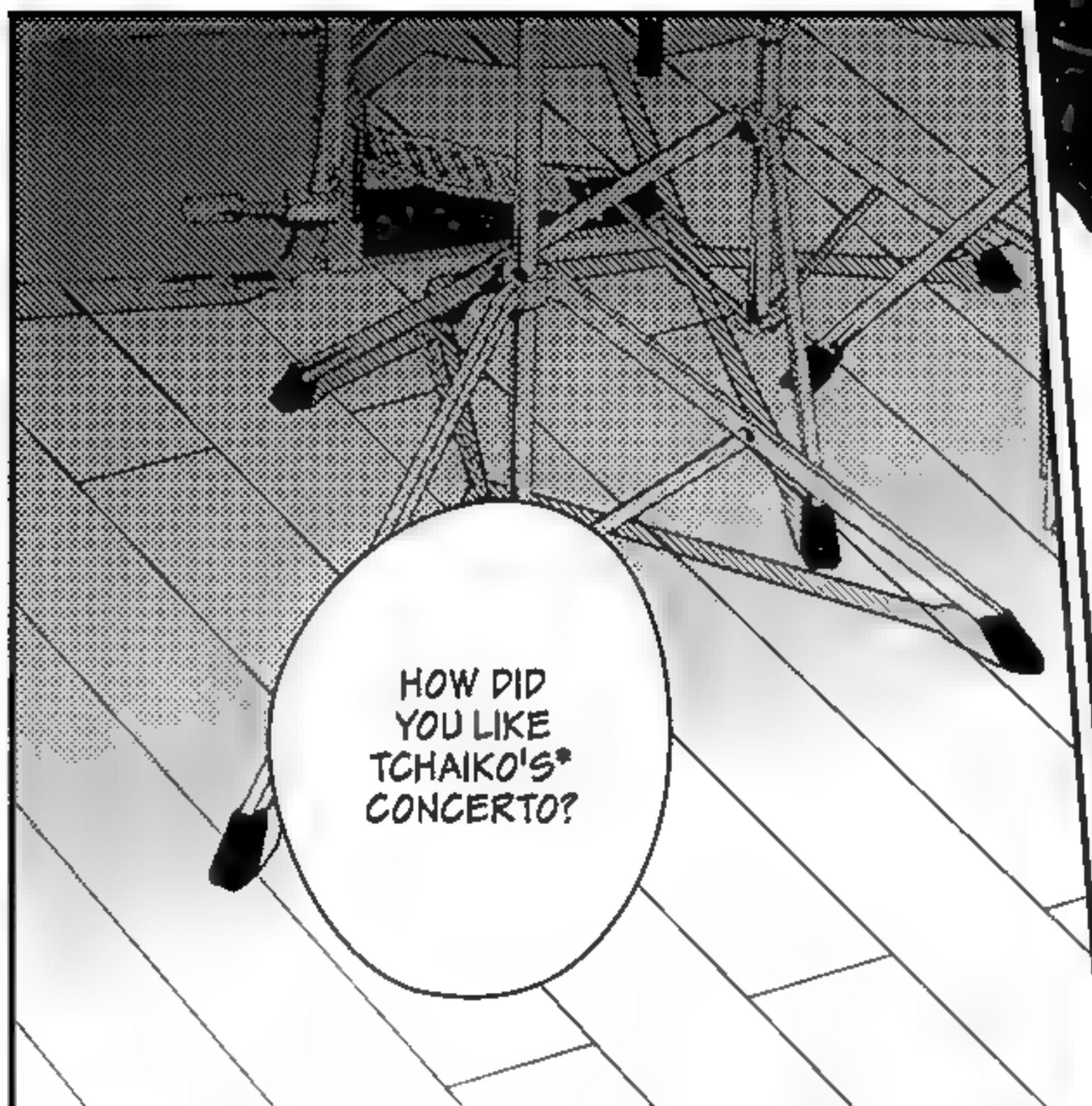












HOW DID  
YOU LIKE  
TCHAIKO'S\*  
CONCERTO?



EVEN  
THOUGH  
I'VE FINALLY  
RETURNED  
HOME AFTER  
SUCH A LONG  
TIME, YOU'RE  
ALREADY  
ASLEEP?

HMM?

Chink

\*Tchaikovsky



WASN'T IT  
GOOD ENOUGH  
TO MAKE YOU  
FEEL EXCITED?

Clench

AKIHIKO?



ARG









I think,  
Kaji-san  
too.

WHAT,  
ARE WE  
SUPPOSED  
TO DO IT  
TODAY?  
THAT'S  
UNUSUAL.





Fell in  
love with  
someone  
irreplaceable

and is  
heartbroken.

**To be continued...**





ギヴン  
@given\_ssn

A-sha☆, photoshoot 🙄👊



☆ T/N: "A-sha" – Abbreviation for "artisto shashin", the band's promotional picture, (ref chapter 15) artisto – artist; shashin – photograph.



## YAGI SHIZUSUMI (16)

180 cm    High School 2nd Year

Birth. 11/22    SCORPIO    B-type

More or less a drummer

Mafuyu, Hiiragi and Yuuki's childhood friend.  
The three had initially formed a band  
with Hiiragi playing bass and Yuuki, the guitar.

Before joining the band,  
he was a member of the handball club.

Attends the same High school as Hiiragi.





# (PRINCESS) HIIRAGI



❖ T/N: I'm so glad Mafuyu sang...